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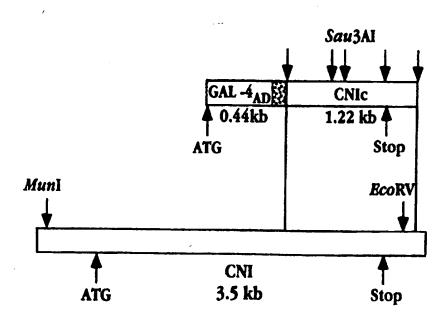
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An identification characterization of a calcineurin interacting (CNI) protein effective enhance immunosuppressive effects of calcineurin-targeted immunosuppressants by potentiating an interaction of an immunophilin with calcineurin is described herein. One embodiment of the invention is the CNI polypeptide encoded by the CNI gene of Saccharomyces cerevisiae. Polynucleotides encoding a CNI protein are also described. Also described are yeast cells carrying mutations in the CNI gene. Further, a method of identifying a small molecule immunosuppressant compound is described. The methods include the use of a cell-based two hybrid protein-protein interaction assay, wherein one of two fusion hybrid proteins in a cell contains a subunit of calcineurin, and the other



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CALCINEURIN INTERACTING PROTEIN COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to compounds affecting the function of calcineurin, particularly interactions of calcineurin with immunosuppressant drugs.

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30 Background of the Invention

The immune system functions as the body's major defense against diseases caused by invading organisms. This complex system fights disease by killing invaders such as bacteria, viruses, parasites or cancerous cells while leaving the body's normal tissues unharmed. The immune system's ability to distinguish the body's normal tissues, or self, from foreign or

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cancerous tissue, or non-self, is an essential feature of normal immune system function. A second essential feature is memory, the ability to remember a particular foreign invader and to mount an enhanced defensive response when the previously encountered invader returns. The loss of recognition of a particular tissue as self and the subsequent immune response directed against that tissue produce serious illness.

An autoimmune disease results from the immune system attacking the body's own organs or tissues, producing a clinical condition associated with the destruction of that tissue. An autoimmune attack directed against the joint lining tissue results in rheumatoid arthritis; an attack against the conducting fibers of the nervous system results in multiple sclerosis. The autoimmune diseases most likely share a common pathogenesis and the need for safe and effective therapy. One type of therapy that has been employed in combating autoimmune disease is treatment with immunosuppressant drugs, such as cyclosporin A, FK506 and rapamycin. While the treatments are often effective, the drugs typically have undesirable side effects, including neurotoxicity, nephrotoxicity, hypertension, and metabolic disorder. Many of these side effects are due to the drugs' action on cells other than those of the immune system.

In addition to their use in treating autoimmune conditions, immunosuppressive agents have also been used in treating or preventing transplantation rejection. Organ transplantation involving human organ donors and human recipients (allogeneic grafts), and non-human primate donors and human recipients (xenogeneic grafts), has received considerable medical and scientific attention (e.g., Roberts, 1989; Platt, 1990). To a great extent, this effort has been aimed at eliminating, or at least reducing, the problem of rejection of the transplanted organ. In the absence of adequate immunosuppressive therapy, the transplanted organ is destroyed by the host immune system.

Presently, the most commonly used agents for preventing transplant rejection include corticosteroids, cytotoxic drugs that specifically inhibit T cell activation such as azathioprine, immunosuppressive drugs such as cyclosporin A, and specific antibodies directed against T lymphocytes or surface receptors that mediate their activation (Briggs, 1991; Kennedy, 1983; Storb, 1985; Storb, 1986). All of these drug therapies are limited in effectiveness, in part because the doses needed for effective treatment of transplant rejection may increase the patient's susceptibility to infection by a variety of opportunistic invaders, and in part because of direct toxicity and other side effects.

Cyclosporin A, currently the most effective and most commonly used agent, is significantly toxic to the kidney. This nephrotoxicity limits the quantity of drug that can be

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safely given. The physician is frequently forced to administer sub-optimal doses of the drug because of this toxicity. A preparation capable of potentiating the action of immunosuppressive agents such as cyclosporin A on the immune system, thus allowing the administration of lower doses of drug, would be of considerable value in reducing the morbidity and mortality associated with transplantation.

Summary of the Invention

In one embodiment, the present invention includes polypeptide compositions effective to enhance immunosuppressive effects of calcineurin-targeted immunosuppressants by potentiating an interaction of an immunophilin with calcineurin. The present invention includes the isolation and characterization of a calcineurin interacting protein, CNI, having these properties. Also disclosed herein are methods for the isolation and characterization of further CNI-related sequences and sequences of CNI-variants. The amino acid sequences presented as SEQ ID NO:2 and SEQ ID NO:5 are exemplary of the polypeptides of the present invention.

The present invention also includes a CNI polypeptide fragment that interacts specifically with the "A" subunits of calcineurin (CNA1 and CNA2), but not with calcineurin "B" subunit (CNB1). In one embodiment, this fragment has an amino acid sequence of between 15 and 915 amino acids in length, for example, the c-terminal 306 amino acids of the CNI protein (CNIc).

Included aspects of the invention are an CNI polypeptide; a recombinant CNI polypeptide; and a fusion polypeptide comprised of an CNI polypeptide. Exemplary fusion proteins include fusions to β -galactosidase.

The invention further includes isolated nucleic acid sequences encoding the above described polypeptides and polypeptide fragments. Exemplary nucleic acid sequences include the sequences presented as SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4 and SEQ ID NO:6. The present invention includes CNI-encoding genomic polynucleotides, cDNAs thereto and complements thereof. With respect to polynucleotides, some aspects of the invention include: a purified CNI-encoding genomic polynucleotide; CNI polypeptide-encoding RNA and DNA polynucleotides; recombinant CNI polypeptide-encoding polynucleotides; a recombinant vector including any of the above recombinant polynucleotides, and a host cell transformed with any of these vectors. Another aspect of the invention is a polynucleotide probe for CNI polypeptide-encoding sequences.

Portions of a CNI-polypeptide coding sequences are effective as probes to isolate variants coding sequences which occur naturally, or to determine the presence of such coding

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sequences in nucleic acid samples. Such probes include hybridization screening probes and polymerase chain reaction amplification primers specific for CNI-polypeptide coding sequences. Homologues of CNI may be isolated from a number of sources, such as other types of yeast cells (e.g., Schizosaccharomyces) or mammalian cells (e.g., human).

Other aspects of the invention include: a recombinant expression system which incorporates an open reading frame (ORF) derived from CNI polypeptide-encoding sequences, wherein the ORF is linked operably to a control sequence which is compatible with a desired host, a cell transformed with the recombinant expression system, and a polypeptide produced by the transformed cell. Typically the expression system includes a vector having (a) a nucleic acid containing an open reading frame that encodes a CNI-polypeptide; and (b) regulatory sequences effective to express said open reading frame in a host cell. The regulatory sequence may include sequences useful for targeting or secretion of the CNI-polypeptide: such as a secretory signal recognized in yeast or bacterial expression systems.

The invention includes a method of recombinantly producing CNI-polypeptides. In the method, a recombinant expression system containing an open reading frame (ORF) having a polynucleotide sequence which encodes a CNI-polypeptide, where the vector is designed to express the ORF in the host, is introduced into suitable host cells. The host is then cultured under conditions resulting in the expression of the ORF sequence. The CNI-polypeptide sequences discussed above are examples of suitable CNI-polypeptides. Numerous vectors and their corresponding hosts are useful in the practice of this method of the invention, including, but not limited, to the vectors described herein for expression in yeast cells, and lambda gt11 phage vector and *E. coli* cells. Other host cells include insect and mammalian cell expression systems.

The invention also includes purified antibodies that are immunoreactive with a CNI-polypeptide. The antibodies may be polyclonal or monoclonal. Antibodies that are specifically immunoreactive with CNI-polypeptides may be useful for the isolation of CNI-polypeptide homologues from other cell type sources (e.g., mammalian).

The present invention also includes, a method of identifying a small molecule immunosuppressant compound. In the method, a cell-based two hybrid protein-protein interaction assay is constructed where one of two fusion hybrid proteins in the cell contains a subunit of calcineurin, and the other of two fusion hybrid proteins contains an immunophilin. The cell is then contacted with the small molecule being tested. A small molecule is identified as an immunosuppressant if the molecule potentiates an interaction between the two hybrid proteins. In one embodiment, the method is carried out using yeast cells, where one of the two

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fusion hybrid proteins contains a GAL4 activation domain and the other of two fusion hybrid proteins contains a GAL4 binding domain. The method can be carried out where subunits of calcineurin are from any cell source, in particular, yeast or mammalian cells (including human cells). The subunit may, for example, be yeast calcineurin subunit CNA1 or CNA2, or human calcineurin subunit "A". The immunophilin can, for example, be cyclophilins or FK506-binding proteins (e.g., FKBP12) typically from a homologous cell source.

Also included in the present invention is another method of identifying a small molecule immunosuppressant compound. In the method, a cell-based two hybrid protein-protein interaction assay is constructed, wherein one of two fusion hybrid proteins in a cell contains an "A" subunit of calcineurin, and the other of two fusion hybrid proteins contains a CNI polypeptide. The cell preferably, but not necessarily, also contains a vector construct causing overexpression, or increased expression, of a "B" subunit of calcineurin. The cell is then contacted with the small molecule being tested. A small molecule is identified as an immunosuppressant if the molecule potentiates an interaction between the two hybrid proteins. This method is used to identify compounds (like FK506) that potentiate the interaction between CNI and CNA1. In one embodiment, the method is carried out using yeast cells, where one of the two fusion hybrid proteins contains a GAL4 activation domain and the other of two fusion hybrid proteins contains a GAL4 binding domain. The method can be carried out where subunits of calcineurin are from any cell source, in particular, yeast or mammalian cells (including human cells). The subunits may, for example, be calcineurin subunit A1 or A2. The CNI polypeptide may also be from any source (e.g., yeast or human), and may be only a fragment of a complete CNI polypeptide (such as a c-terminal fragment). An exemplary cterminal fragment of CNI is CNIc.

Further, included in the present invention, is a yeast cell carrying a mutation in the naturally-occurring copy of CNI, where the mutation prevents expression of a functional CNI protein from the genomic copy. Embodiments of this aspect of the present invention include deletion mutations within the coding region of the CNI gene, deletion of regulation regions of the CNI gene, and non-sense or mis-sense mutations in the CNI gene. Yeast cells having such mutations are useful, for example, in a method of identifying proteins of similar function to CNI. In one embodiment, a hybrid interaction screen is set up in a cell with a CNI deletion and a GAL4 protein binding domain-CNA fusion and a GAL4 activation domain-immunophilin fusion. Expression libraries are then screened to identify clones encoding proteins that potentiate an interaction of an immunophilin with calcineurin. This screen will identify CNI-coding sequences as well as other proteins with a similar function.

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In a related embodiment, a yeast cell with a CNI deletion is used to identify CNI homologues (e.g., from other organisms, such as human) using a complementation assay or screen. Expression libraries (e.g., human lymphocyte expression libraries) are transformed into cells with a CNI deletion, and transformants are selected on their ability to complement the function of yeast CNI. An exemplary assay for selecting such transformants is exposure to hygromycin B. Cells which become more sensitive to hygromycin B following transformation are further analyzed to determine if the plasmid with which they were transformed contains an insert homologous to yeast CNI, or encoding a polypeptide with similar function to CNI.

The invention also includes a yeast cell carrying a mutation in the naturally-occurring genomic copy of a gene encoding calcineurin-interacting polypeptide, where the mutation prevents expression of a functional calcineurin-interacting polypeptide from the genomic copy. The mutation may be a null mutation, such as described in Example 8 below, or a different type of mutation, e.g., a nonsense or missense mutation. Nonsense and missense mutations may be generated using standard methods.

These and other objects and features of the invention will be more fully appreciated when the following detailed description of the invention is read in conjunction with the accompanying drawings.

Brief Description of the Figures

Figures 1A and 1B present schematic diagrams of sequences encoding the c-terminal portion of CNI (CNIc) fused to GAL-4 activation domain (GAL-4AD) (Fig. 1A), and sequences encoding CNI (Fig. 1B).

Figure 2A presents data from a β -galactosidase (β -gal) assay to detect the interaction of CNIc with the A1 subunit of calcineurin (CNA1), A2 subunit of calcineurin (CNA2), GAL-4 binding domain (G4BD) and lamin C. A labeled schematic diagram corresponding to the data shown in Fig. 2A is presented in Fig. 2B to facilitate reference to individual groups of colonies.

Figure 3A presents data from a β -gal assay to detect the interaction of CNIc with CNA1 Δ C, CNA2 Δ C and CNB1. A labeled schematic diagram corresponding to the data shown in Fig. 3A is presented in Fig. 3B.

Figures 4A and 4C present data from β -gal assays to evaluate the effects of FK506 and the deletion of CNB1 on the interactions of CNIc with CNA and CNA Δ C. Labeled schematic diagrams corresponding to the data shown in Figs. 4A and 4C are presented in Figs. 4B and 4D, respectively.

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Figures 5A and 5C present data from β -gal assays to evaluate the effects of FK506 and the overexpression of CNB1 on the interactions of CNIc with CNA and CNA Δ C. Labeled schematic diagrams corresponding to the data shown in Figs. 5A and 5C are presented in Figs. 5B and 5D, respectively.

Figures 6A, 6C and 6E present data from β -gal assays to evaluate the effects of FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA), and the deletion of CNB1 on the interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNA Δ C. Labeled schematic diagrams corresponding to the data shown in Figs. 6A, 6C and 6E are presented in Figs. 6B, 6D and 6F, respectively.

Figures 7A, 7C, 7E and 7G present data from β-gal assays to evaluate the effects of FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA), rapamycin and the overexpression of CNB1 on the interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNAΔC. Labeled schematic diagrams corresponding to the data shown in Figs. 7A, 7C, 7E and 7G are presented in Figs. 7B, 7D, 7F and 7H, respectively.

Figure 8A presents data from a β -gal assay to evaluate the effects of overexpression of full-length CNI on FK506-dependent interaction of FKBP with CNA. A labeled schematic diagram corresponding to the data shown in Fig. 8A is presented in Fig. 8B.

Figures 9A and 9C present data from β -gal assays to evaluate the effects of overexpression of full-length CNI on FK506-dependent interaction of FKBP with CNB1. Labeled schematic diagrams corresponding to the data shown in Figs. 9A and 9C are presented in Figs. 9B and 9D, respectively.

Figure 10 presents an image of a protein blot of CNIc and CNA co-immunoprecipitate probed with anti-CNA2 antibody.

Figure 11 presents an image of a yeast RNA blot hybridized with a CNIc probe.

Figure 12 presents the DNA sequence of a 3.5 kb fragment of yeast chromosome 11 containing the coding sequence for a yeast CNI protein.

Figure 13 presents the amino acid sequence of a yeast CNI protein.

Brief Description of the Sequences

SEQ ID NO:1 presents the nucleotide sequence of a Sau3AI fragment containing the coding sequence for CNIc.

SEQ ID NO:2 presents the amino acid sequence of CNIc encoded by SEQ ID NO:1.

SEQ ID NO:3 presents the coding sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:1.

SEQ ID NO:4 presents the nucleotide sequence of a gene encoding a complete CNI protein.

SEQ ID NO:5 presents the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:4.

SEO ID NO:6 presents the coding sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:4.

SEQ ID NO:7 presents the nucleotide sequence of PCR primer CNI-PCR-A.

SEQ ID NO:8 presents the nucleotide sequence of PCR primer CNI-PCR-B.

SEQ ID NO:9 presents the nucleotide sequence of a gene encoding the yeast CNA1 subunit of calcineurin.

SEO ID NO:10 presents the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:9.

SEQ ID NO:11 presents the nucleotide sequence of a gene encoding the yeast CNA2 subunit of calcineurin.

SEQ ID NO:12 presents the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:11.

SEQ ID NO:13 presents the nucleotide sequence of a gene encoding the yeast CNB1 subunit of calcineurin.

SEQ ID NO:14 presents an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:13.

SEQ ID NO:15 presents an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:13.

SEO ID NO:16 presents the coding sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:13.

15 SEQ ID NO:17 presents the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:16.

SEQ ID NO:18 presents a nucleotide sequence encoding CNA1 Δc .

SEQ ID NO:19 presents the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:18.

SEQ ID NO:20 presents a nucleotide sequence encoding CNA2Δc.

SEQ ID NO:21 presents the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:20.

SEQ ID NO:22 presents the nucleotide sequence of PCR primer G4-PCR-A.

SEQ ID NO:23 presents the nucleotide sequence of PCR primer G4-PCR-B.

Detailed Description of the Invention

I. <u>Definitions</u>

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A "calcineurin-targeted immunosuppressant" is a compound that possesses in vivo immunosuppressive activity, and that interacts with an immunophilin to form a complex which is capable of inhibiting calcineurin.

"Interacting proteins" are proteins capable of specifically binding to one another, or associating with one another, in a cell or *in vitro*.

A calcineurin interacting (CNI) protein or polypeptide is a protein or polypeptide that is effective to enhance immunosuppressive effects of a calcineurin-targeted immunosuppressant by potentiating an interaction of an immunophilin with calcineurin. Preferably, a CNI protein or polypeptide is a protein or polypeptide having an amino acid sequence that is homologous to the sequence presented herein as SEQ ID NO:5.

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"Substantially isolated" is used in several contexts and typically refers to the at least partial purification of a CNI protein or polypeptide fragment away from unrelated or contaminating components (e.g., cytoplasmic contaminants and heterologous proteins). Methods and procedures for the isolation or purification of compounds or components of interest are described below (e.g., affinity purification of fusion proteins and recombinant production of CNI polypeptides).

In the context of the present invention, the phrase "nucleic acid sequences," when referring to sequences which encode a protein, polypeptide, or peptide, is meant to include degenerative nucleic acid sequences which encode homologous protein, polypeptide or peptide sequences as well as the disclosed sequence.

Two nucleic acid fragments are considered to have "homologous" sequences if they are capable of hybridizing to one another (i) under typical hybridization and wash conditions, as described, for example, in Sambrook, et al., pages 320-328, and 382-389, or (ii) using reduced stringency wash conditions that allow at most about 25-30% basepair mismatches, for example: 2 × SSC, 0.1% SDS, room temperature twice, 30 minutes each; then 2 × SSC, 0.1% SDS, 37°C once, 30 minutes; then 2 × SSC, room temperature twice, 10 minutes each. Preferably, homologous nucleic acid strands contain 15-25% basepair mismatches, even more preferably 5-15% basepair mismatches. These degrees of homology can be selected by using wash conditions of appropriate stringency for identification of clones from gene libraries (or other sources of genetic material), as is well known in the art.

Two amino acid sequences or two nucleotide sequences (in an alternative definition for homology between two nucleotide sequences) are considered homologous (as this term is preferably used in this specification) if they have an alignment score of >5 (in standard deviation units) using the program ALIGN, typically default mutation gap matrix and gap penalty (Dayhoff). The two sequences (or parts thereof) are more preferably homologous if their amino acids are greater than or equal to 40% using the ALIGN program mentioned above.

II. OVERVIEW OF INVENTION

Experiments performed in support of the present invention demonstrate the identification and isolation of the nucleic acid sequence encoding a calcineurin interacting (CNI) protein. Further experiments performed in support of the present invention characterize the CNI protein, as well as a polypeptide containing only the c-terminal 306 amino acids of the CNI protein (CNIc). The experiments demonstrate that CNIc interacts specifically with the "A" subunits of calcineurin (CNA1 and CNA2), but not with calcineurin "B" subunit (CNB1).

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The experiments also demonstrate that CNIc does not interact directly with FK506 binding protein (FKBP; Schreiber, et al.; with or without FK506), GAL4 binding domain (G4_{BD}) or lamin C. The experiments also demonstrate that CNIc interacts with C-terminally truncated forms of CNA (CNA Δ C), which have lost their autoinhibitory domains, though the interaction is somewhat weaker that with full length CNA proteins.

Additional experiments show that the interaction between CNIc and CNA is enhanced when CNB1 is deleted, and diminished when CNB1 is overexpressed, that the interaction between CNIc and CNA or CNA\(\Delta\Cappa\) is markedly enhanced by FK506 and by Cyclosporin A (CsA), but not rapamycin, and that overexpression of a full-length CNI protein enhances the interaction between CNA and FKBP (detectable only in the presence of FK506).

Additional experiments conducted in support of the present invention demonstrate that overexpression of the full-length CNI has no detectable effect on the interaction between CNB1 and CNA, and that in the presence of FK506 or CsA, overexpression of CNB1 no longer inhibits the interaction of CNIc with CNA.

It was also found that CNI deletion mutants are viable, both in wild-type and CN-deletion backgrounds, and that CNI deletion mutants in a CN-deletion background are more resistant to hygromycin B than normal CN-deletion mutants.

Co-immunoprecipitation experiments demonstrate that CNIc and CNA co-immunoprecipitate in the presence of FK506, and protein blot experiments show that CNI is expressed at low levels in vivo. RNA blot experiments show that CNI is encoded by a single message approximately 2.9 kb in length.

A comparison of the yeast CNI sequence with sequences present in nucleic acid and amino acid databases reveals no obvious homologous sequences have been identified in other organisms.

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III. CALCINEURIN

Experiments performed in support of the present invention were designed to identify polypeptides capable of interacting with calcineurin. Calcineurin (also called phosphoprotein phosphatase 2B or PP2B), has been characterized from many different tissues and organisms (Klee, et al.). It is a heterodimer of two subunits, of which the "A" subunit is about 61 kD in weight, possesses catalytic activity and also contains the association site for calmodulin. The "B" subunit contains four Ca2+ binding sites and activates the A subunit. Calcineurin has little enzymatic activity, even in the presence of Ca2+ and only becomes fully active when associated with calmodulin (Cyert).

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Two A subunits (CNA1 and CNA2; Cyert, et al., 1991) and one B subunit (CNB1, Cyert, et al., 1992) have been cloned in yeast. Either CNA1 or CNA2 may associate with CNB1 to form a functional calcineurin heterodimer. Multiple isotypes of the A subunit have been cloned from a variety of organisms and are highly conserved (Klee, et al.). In particular, calcineurin subunits have been cloned from human tissue (see reviews by, for example, Klee, et al., and Guerini, et al.).

IV. IMMUNOSUPPRESSANT DRUGS

FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA) and rapamycin, derived from fungi, inhibit the activation of T-cells by antigens. The compounds have proven highly effective at suppressing mammalian immune systems in vivo. In particular, CsA therapy in clinical settings has dramatically increased the success rate of transplantation therapy.

It is now known that FK506 and CsA exert their immunosuppressive effects, in part, by inhibiting the transcriptional activation of the interleukin-2 (IL-2) gene, whereas rapamycin appears to function by inhibiting the response of T-cells to IL-2, presumably by inhibiting a transduction pathway mediated by the IL-2 receptor.

The molecular mechanism of FK506 and CsA immunosuppressive action involves a group of small, abundant intracellular proteins termed immunophilins, which bind with a high affinity to the immunosuppressants (Schreiber). At least two classes of immunophilins are known to exist. One class, termed cyclophilins, binds to CsA, while another class, the FK506-binding proteins (FKBPs) binds FK506 and rapamycin. Many immunophilin genes, from a variety of organisms, have been cloned, and appear to be highly conserved from simple eukaryotes to mammals.

It is believed that FK506 and CsA-induced immunosuppression is due to the binding of complexes, formed by binding of immunosuppressants FK506 and CsA bound to one of their respective immunophilins, to the catalytic subunit of calcineurin (Schreiber, et al., Liu, et al., Foor, et al., Weiss, et al.). The binding of such a complex to an (A) subunit inhibits activation of calcineurin by increased intracellular calcium, which in turn prevents calcineurin from activating transcription factor NF-AT. Since IL-2 is one of the genes controlled by NF-AT in T-cells, inhibition of the transcription factor inhibits the production of IL-2, resulting in immunosuppression (Clipstone, et al.).

FK506 and CsA are widely used in organ transplantation to prevent host rejection. However, both drugs are known to have many undesired side-effects such as neurotoxicity, nephrotoxicity, hypertension, and metabolic disorder. Accordingly formulations effective to

increase a target cell's sensitivity to these drugs may be useful in alleviating some of the aforementioned side-effects. Specifically, CNI and its homologues or derivatives, administered at appropriate levels, may be able to increase the sensitivity of CN to FK506/CsA and reduce the necessary dosage thus reducing or eliminating the side-effects of these drugs.

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V. Two Hybrid Protein Interaction Assays

Two hybrid protein interaction assay methods (two hybrid protein-protein interaction screens) provide a simple and sensitive means to detect the interaction between two proteins in living cells. The assays are based on the finding that most eukaryotic transcription activators are modular (e.g., Brent, et al.), i.e., that the activators typically contain activation domains that activate transcription, and DNA binding domains that localize the activator to the appropriate region of a DNA molecule.

The development of two hybrid protein interaction assays was made possible by the observation that the DNA binding domain does not need to be physically located on the same polypeptide as the activation domain (Ma, et al., Triezenberg, et al.), raising the possibility that transcription of reporter genes could be used as an assay to detect protein interactions.

The utility of two hybrid systems for detecting interactions between two interacting proteins was fully realized by the observation that protein interactions could be detected if two potentially-interacting proteins were expressed as fusions, or chimeras (Fields, et al.). A first fusion protein contains one of a pair of interacting proteins fused to a DNA binding domain, and a second fusion protein contains the other of a pair of interacting proteins fused to a transcription activation domain. The two fusion proteins are independently expressed in the same cell, and interaction between the "interacting protein" portions of the fusions reconstitute the function of the transcription activation factor, which is detected by activation of transcription of a reporter gene.

At least two different cell-based two hybrid protein-protein interaction assay systems have been used to assess binding interactions and/or to identify interacting proteins. Both employ a pair of fusion hybrid proteins, where one of the pair contains a first of two "interacting" proteins fused to a transcription activation domain of a transcription activating factor, and the other of the pair contains a second of two "interacting" proteins fused to a DNA binding domain of a transcription activating factor.

The yeast GAL4 two hybrid system (Fields, et al., Chien, et al., Durfee, et al., Bartel, et al.), utilized for experiments performed in support of the present invention, was developed

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to detect protein-protein interaction based on the reconstitution of function of GAL4, a transcriptional activator from yeast, by activation of a GAL1-lacZ reporter gene.

Like several other transcription activating factors, GAL4 contains two distinct domains, a DNA binding domain and a transcription activation domain. Each domain can be independently expressed as a portion of a fusion protein composed of the domain, and a second, "bait" interacting protein. The two fusion proteins are then independently expressed together in a cell. When the two GAL4 domains are brought together by a binding interaction between the two "interacting" proteins, transcription of a reporter gene under the transcriptional control of GAL4 is initiated. The reporter gene typically has a promoter containing GAL4 protein binding sites (GAL upstream activating sequences, UAS_G). Exemplary reporter genes are the GAL1-lacZ, and GAL1-HIS3 reporter genes used in experiments described herein.

A second two hybrid system, described in detail in Ausubel, et al., utilizes a native E. coli LexA repressor protein, which binds tightly to appropriate operators. A plasmid is used to express one of a pair of interacting proteins (the "bait" protein) as a fusion to LexA. The plasmid expressing the LexA-fused bait protein is used to transform a reporter strain of yeast, such as EGY48, that contains pSH18-34.

In this strain, binding sites for LexA are located upstream of two reporter genes. In the first reporter system, the upstream activation sequences of the chromosomal LEU2 generequired in the biosynthetic pathway for leucine (Leu)—are replaced in EGY48 with lexA operators, permitting selection for viability when cells are plated on medium lacking Leu. In the second reporter system, EGY48 harbors a plasmid, pSH18-34, that contains a lexA operator-lacZ fusion gene, permitting discrimination based on color when the yeast is grown on medium containing Xgal (Ausubel, et al.).

To screen a library with the LexA system, the library uses the inducible yeast GAL1 promoter to express proteins as fusions to an acidic domain ("acid blob") that functions as a portable transcriptional activation motif ("act"), and to other useful moieties. Expression of library-encoded proteins is induced by plating transformants on medium containing galactose (Gal), so yeast cells containing library proteins that do not interact specifically with the bait protein fail to grow in the absence of Leu. Yeast cells containing library proteins that interact with the bait protein form colonies within 2 to 5 days, and the colonies turn blue when the cells are streaked on medium containing Xgal. The plasmids are isolated and characterized by a series of tests to confirm specificity of the interaction with the initial bait protein. Those found to be specific are ready for further analysis (e.g., sequencing).

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LexA and GAL4 each have different properties that should be considered when selecting a system. LexA is derived from a heterologous organism, has no known effect on the growth of yeast, possesses no residual transcriptional activity, can be used in GAL4* yeast, and can be used with a Gal-inducible promoter. Because GAL4 is an important yeast transcriptional activator, experiments must be performed in gal4 yeast strains to avoid background from endogenous GAL4 activating the reporter system.

Both two hybrid systems have been successfully used for isolating genes encoding proteins that bind a target protein and as simple protein binding assays (e.g., Yang, et al., Gyuris, et al.), and both can be applied to methods of the present invention.

Both gene isolation and protein binding assay applications of the GAL4 system are described in Examples below.

VI. SPECIFIC EMBODIMENTS

Example 1 demonstrates application of an exemplary two hybrid protein-protein interaction screen (Materials and Methods, section D) to the screening of three pGAD yeast fusion libraries, carrying fusions between the transcription activating domain of yeast protein GAL4 (G4AD) and yeast genomic DNA Sau3Al fragments, in all three reading frames. The libraries are screened to identify polypeptides, encoded by the Sau3Al fragments, capable of interacting with catalytic (A) subunits of calcineurin, expressed as fusions with the GAL4 protein binding domain (GBT-CNA fusions).

Three sets of yeast cells harboring pGBT-CNA1 TRP1 (GBT-A1) hybrid plasmid and a GAL4-activated LacZ reporter gene are each transformed with one of the three reading-frame libraries. Construction of the plasmids used is described in Materials and Methods, sections B and C. Cells transformed with a plasmid encoding a protein fusion capable of interacting with the CNA subunit fusion are selected using a β -galactosidase (β -gal) assay on plates containing the chromogenic substrate X-gal (Materials and Methods, section E). Results of the β -gal assay are confirmed using a growth assay (Materials and Methods, section F). False positives are eliminated by colony purification (re-streaking for single colonies), PCR experiments using GAL4 primers, and testing against a number of test fusions by β -gal assays on transformed haploid or mated diploid reporter strains.

A yeast clone encoding a polypeptide capable of specifically interacting with CNA polypeptide fusions is identified and sequenced. The sequence of the Sau3AI fragment is presented as SEQ ID NO:1. The coding sequence forming the open reading frame is presented as SEQ ID NO:3. The polypeptide encoded by the open reading frame is presented as SEQ

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ID NO:2. The open reading frame encodes 306 amino acids followed by a stop codon in frame with the coding sequence of GAL4, but does not contain an in-frame ATG start site upstream of the stop codon. This is consistent with the fragment encoding a c-terminal portion of a complete gene product. The clone is termed CNIc, with the lowercase "c" representing "c-terminal".

Figure 1A shows a schematic representation of the nucleic acid sequence encoding the GAL4AD-CNIc fusion protein. The stippled portion between GAL4AD and CNIc represents a linker discussed in the Materials and Methods section, as well as in Example 1. Also indicated in the Figure are the approximate locations of in-frame start (ATG) and stop codons, and Sau3AI restriction sites.

Example 1 further describes the identification of a λ clone encoding a full length sequence version of CNIc, termed CNI. The polypeptide encoded by the sequence is termed CNI protein. The clone is identified by hybridization screening of a panel of λ clones spanning the yeast genome using a 1.22 kb ³²P-labeled probe generated from CNIc.

Phage lysates of the λ clone are amplified, purified, restriction-mapped and used as a DNA source for subsequent cloning experiments. A 3.16 kb MunI/EcoRV fragment from the λ clone insert contains the coding sequence of CNI. The sequence of the 3.16 kb MunI/EcoRV fragment is encompassed by the 3.5 kb sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:4, and a schematic diagram of the sequence is shown in Figure 1B. This sequence contains the entire 2.75 kb coding sequence of CNI (SEQ ID NO:6; graphically indicated in Figure 1B by the locations of the "ATG" and "Stop" codons).

A search of known DNA and protein sequences turns up no obvious matches or homologies to genes in other organisms. Accordingly, CNI may represent a new type of calcineurin interacting protein.

The methods referred to above may also be applied to the screening of, for example, a human cDNA library using an appropriate two-hybrid protein interaction screen. The "bait" protein in the interaction screen (e.g., the protein analogous to CNA1 in Example 1) may be of yeast origin (e.g., CNA1), but is preferably of human origin (e.g., a human calcineurin "A" subunit; Klee, et al.). The bait protein is expressed in the cell (e.g., a yeast cell) used for the two hybrid interaction screen as a fusion to a domain of a transcription activating factor (e.g., the DNA binding domain of GAL4). The library may be a human DNA library in a vector (e.g., pGAD) effective to express library sequences as fusions to a complimentary domain of the transcription activating factor (e.g., the activation domain of GAL4). Libraries of human sequences can be derived from a number of sources including genomic DNA, such as yeast

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artificial chromosome (YAC) constructs carrying genomic human DNA, or cDNA generated from a variety of cell types (e.g., activated T-cells).

Example 2 details a β-gal assay to determine the specificity of binding of CNIc to subunits of calcineurin. Exemplary results are shown in Figure 2A. The legend for Fig. 2A is shown in Figure 2B. Numbers in the legend refer to locations of yeast colonies expressing particular combinations of plasmid constructs (indicated in Example 2).

A comparison of the intensities of the blue β -gal reaction product indicates that CNIc interacts strongly with CNA1 (21, 22 and 23), and somewhat less strongly with CNA2 (24). Neither cells containing AS-lamin with GAD-CNIc (25), nor cells containing only GBT with GAD-CNIc (26) show a detectable signal above background. Two subunits of calcineurin (CNA1, CNB1) known to interact with each other are used as a positive control for the assay (20). The data presented in Figure 2A show that CNIc interacts specifically with CNA1 and CNA2, but not with G4BD or lamin C.

A similar set of experiments, illustrated in Fig. 3A, is conducted using constitutively-active CNA subunits, as well as calcineurin subunit CNB1. As described in the Materials and Methods section below, CNA1ΔC and CNA2ΔC are each missing a C-terminal portion of the protein containing an autoinhibitory domain. Exemplary results from these experiments are shown in Figure 3A. The legend for Fig. 3A is shown in Figure 3B.

The data show that GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc (28) gives a definite positive signal, while GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc (29) is weaker, though still detectable above its background (i.e. GBT-A2ΔC and GAD; 31). The signal from GBT-B1 and GAD-CNIc (32) is not detectable above vector background (GBT-B1 and GAD; 33). Positive controls GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-B1 (34) and GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-B1 (35) give strong signals. The data presented in Figure 3A show that CNIc interacts specifically with CNA1ΔC and CNA2ΔC, but not with CNB1.

Example 3 details the effects of immunosuppressant drugs on binding of CNIc to calcineurin in B1 $^{\infty}$, B1 Deletion and B1 Overproducing Yeast Strains. The yeast strains are assayed for β -gal activity as above to determine if the immunosuppressant drugs FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA) and rapamycin affect the binding of CNIc to subunits of calcineurin. The experiments are performed in yeast strains wild-type for the CNB1 subunit, null for the CNB1 subunit, and in yeast transformed with a high efficiency expression vector containing DNA encoding the CNB1 subunit.

Exemplary data are shown in Figures 4A, 4C, 5A and 5C. The legends for Figs. 4A and 4C are shown in Figures 4B and 4D, respectively. Figs. 4A and 5A illustrate experiment

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performed without FK506, while experiments shown in Figs. 4C and 5C were performed with FK506.

The interactions of various combinations of proteins expressed by constructs indicated in Example 3 was studied in three yeast strains, one of which is null for the CNB1 subunit of calcineurin (Y153b; at 36-40), while the others (Y190; at 41-46 and Y526 at 47-51) are wild-type for CNA1, CNA2 and CNB1.

The data, shown in Fig. 4A (no added drugs), illustrate that deleting the endogenous host CNB1 gene potentiates, or enhances, interactions between CNIc and calcineurin subunits CNA1, CNA2, CNA1 Δ C and CNA2 Δ C. Comparison of corresponding colonies in Figs. 4A and 4C shows the effects of FK506 on CNIc-CNA/CNA Δ C interactions. The drug enhances interactions under all except control conditions. The effect is most striking in yeast strains wild-type for the CNB1 subunit (e.g., compare 50a with 50b, and 51a with 51b).

The drug also markedly enhances, or potentiates CNIc-CNA/CNAAC interactions under conditions where the CNB1 subunit is overexpressed. Figure 5A shows the effect of overexpressing CNB1 on CNIc-CNA/CNAAC interactions in the absence of drug. Colonies expressing B1/YEp352 (53a, 55a-58a) have reduced signal as compared with controls expressing only YEp352 (52a, 54a). Inclusion of FK506 in the plating medium (Fig. 5C), however, enhances, or potentiates interactions in all colonies, except the negative controls (56).

The data presented in Figures 4A, 4C, 5A and 5C demonstrate that the interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNA Δ C is markedly enhanced by FK506. The interaction is also enhanced by deletion of CNB1 and diminished by overexpression of CNB1, and the inhibitory effect of CNB1 overproduction is overcome by the stimulatory effect of FK506.

Stated another way, inclusion of a small molecule immunosuppressant (FK506) potentiates an interaction between two fusion hybrid proteins, where one of the two proteins contains an (A) subunit of calcineurin, and the other protein contains a CNI polypeptide. The potentiation is particularly strong when the cell is further modified to cause overexpression of a "B" subunit of calcineurin by said cell (e.g., the expresses B1/YEp352).

In the present case, a yeast cell is modified to cause overexpression of a "B" subunit of calcineurin (CNB1) by transforming the cell with B1/YEp352 (construction described below). A cell may be modified to cause overexpression of a "B" subunit of calcineurin in other ways as well, such as, for example, transformation with other types of expression vectors encoding a "B" subunit of calcineurin, or treatment with a substance that upregulates a promoter controlling expression of an endogenous (B) subunit of calcineurin.

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In light of the effects of FK506 on CNIc-CNA/CNA Δ C interactions, two other immunosuppressants, cyclosporin A and rapamycin, were examined in similar experiments. The results of these experiments are shown in Figures 6A-6F and 7A-7H.

The data presented in Figures 6A and 6C are essentially equivalent to those presented in Figures 4A and 4C, respectively. Data shown in Figure 6E demonstrate that like FK506, the immunosuppressant cyclosporin A is also effective to enhance interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNAΔC. Both FK506 and cyclosporin A are known to exert their immunosuppressive effects through calcineurin (Cyert).

Similarly, data shown in Figures 7A and 7C support data in Figures 5A and 5C, and further, demonstrate that there is no detectable interaction between FK506 binding protein (FKBP) and CNIc. Results shown in Fig. 7E demonstrate that cyclosporin A has a similar effect to FK506 in cells overexpressing CNB1 — that is, it enhances the interactions between CNIc and CNA/CNA Δ C.

In contrast, data presented in Fig. 7G show that the immunosuppressant rapamycin has no detectable effect on CNIc-CNA/CNA\(\)C interactions (compare Fig. 7G with Fig. 7A).

Taken together, the data presented in Figs. 6A, 6C, 6E 7A, 7C, 7E and 7G show that like FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA), but not rapamycin, enhances the interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNA Δ C, and that CNIc doesn't interact with FKBP with or without FK506.

Example 4 describes experiments to assess effects of CNIc on FKBP/FK506 binding to calcineurin. Figure 8A presents exemplary data from studies to assess the effect of CNI on FKBP-mediated FK506 interactions with CNA2. The legend for Fig. 8A is shown in Figure 8B. Data in Figure 8A demonstrate that, in the absence of FK506, FKBP and CNA2 show no detectable interaction (84). In the presence of FK506, however, the proteins interact (85), presumably because FK506 forms a complex with FKBP, which then binds CNA2 (Cyert).

Data in Figure 8A further show that, in the absence of FK506, CNI has no effect on the lack of interaction between FKBP and CNA2 (86). In the presence of FK506 (87), however, CNI potentiates, or enhances the binding between FKBP and CNA2 (compare the intensity at 87 with that at 85). This effect suggests that CNI and similar compounds may be employed to increase the sensitivity of calcineurin to immunosuppressant drugs that act on it, and in this way, decrease the amount of the immunosuppressant required for a particular level of immunosuppression.

Experiments illustrated in Figures 9A and 9B demonstrate that FK506 has little or no effect on the binding of CNA to CNB1. The legends for Fig. 9A and 9B are shown in Figures 9B and 9D, respectively. The data in Fig. 9A show that overexpression of the full-length CNI

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clone markedly enhances the FK506-dependent interaction of FKBP with CNA, although it doesn't affect the interaction between CNA and CNB1.

Example 5 presents co-immunoprecipitation of CNIc (carrying an HA epitope tag) and CNA. Immunoprecipitation is carried out with anti-HA monoclonal antibody and the immune complex, resolved by SDS-PAGE, is detected with anti-CNA2 polyclonal antibody and visualized with goat anti-rabbit antibody using the "ECL" method (Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL). The results, shown in Figure 10, demonstrate that CNIc is capable of binding to CNA2 tightly enough for the complex to be co-immunoprecipitated. Similar methods may be employed to isolate a CNI analog from other cell sources, including mammalian (specifically human).

Example 6 describes yeast RNA blots hybridized with a CNIc probe. Exemplary data are shown in Figure 11. A single message of approximately 2.9 kb is detected. The data indicate that CNI is an expressed gene encoding a 2.9 kb message in yeast.

Example 8 details the construction of cni null mutants. The null mutants are employed to assess if CNI is required for viability in yeast, and to test hygromycin B sensitivity. The experiments indicate that CNI is not essential for viability, since CNI deletion mutant strains can survive, but that CNI deletions render a host more resistant to hygromycin B. The effect is particularly pronounced in both MCY300-1 (cna1 cna2) and DD12 (cnb1), suggesting that CNI functions as a suppressor of CN mutant's sensitivity to hygromycin B.

It will be understood that all of the above methods and experimental manipulations are amenable to being done with interacting polypeptides from organisms other than yeast. In particular, calcineurin subunits, CNI polypeptides, immunophilins and the like may be of mammalian origin, e.g., human origin.

25 VII. UTILITY

Methods and compositions of the present invention may be applied in a number of different ways. Following the guidance presented herein, one of skill in the art may isolate nucleic acids encoding additional CNI polypeptides, for example, a human CNI polypeptide.

In one approach, a yeast strain carrying a mutation of the *CNI* gene, *e.g.*, a deletion, is used to clone heterologous sequences (e.g., human sequences) by complementation. A library of genomic DNA or, preferably, cDNA from an organism (e.g., human) and tissue (e.g., lymphocyte cells) of choice is cloned into a vector that can be maintained in yeast. Preferably, the vector contains a yeast promoter effective to express the heterologous sequences in yeast cells. Several heterologous libraries suitable for expression in *Saccharomyces*

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cerevisiae containing DNA from S. pombe (Beach, et al.) and Drosophila have been constructed.

The library is transformed into a suitable yeast strain carrying a *cni* mutation, and transformants are selected using a suitable complementation assay. For example, transformants may be screened for increased hygromycin sensitivity, as experiments described herein indicate that *cni* deletion mutants possess a decreased sensitivity to hygromycin B (Example 8). The screen may be made more effective by using a yeast strain that is hypersensitive to hygromycin B, such as a strain deficient for a subunit of calcineurin (Example 8).

Alternatively, human CNI DNA sequences may be isolated by directly screening a library, e.g., a lymphocyte cDNA library, for clones hybridizing with a yeast CNI nucleic acid probe. The generation of an exemplary yeast CNI nucleic acid probe is described in Example 1.

In another approach, particularly advantageous for isolating sequences expressed at low levels, a CNI nucleic acid probe may be used to screen a genomic library, e.g., a human genomic library, to isolate a sequence that may be used to design probes or primers that may match the target sequence better that the yeast sequence. Such primers may be used with, for example, PCR, to isolate longer fragments from a tissue-specific library.

In yet another approach, an antibody generated against CNI polypeptide is used to immunoprecipitate a CNI polypeptide from an organism and/or tissue of choice. The protein may then be micro-sequenced, and the sequence utilized to design degenerate primers useful for isolating a cDNA.

CNI polypeptides of the present invention, particularly CNI fragments that retain a desired binding activity, may be used as lead compounds useful for the development of small molecules having cellular functions similar to those of the CNI-polypeptides, that is, molecules effective to enhance immunosuppressive effects of calcineurin-targeted immunosuppressants by potentiating an interaction of an immunophilin with calcineurin.

CNI-polypeptides of the present invention may also be employed in a method of increasing sensitivity of cells to calcineurin-affecting immunosuppressant drugs. In this method, a CNI-polypeptide is introduced into the cell typically prior to or at the same time as contacting the cell with an immunosuppressant drug, such as FK506. The polypeptide may be delivered by any suitable means effective to deliver polypeptides to selected cells,

Alternatively, nucleic acids encoding CNI polypeptides may be used in appropriate expression vectors as a genetic therapy tool to potentiate the immunosuppressive effects of

calcineurin-targeting immunosuppressant drugs. The vectors may be targeted to selected cells. such as T-cells, to increase their sensitivity to a given systemic dose of an immunosuppressant.

Another utility of the present invention includes methods of screening for substances that up-regulate expression of CNI polypeptides, i.e., substances that affect transcription. Such substances are useful for sensitizing cells to immunosuppressant drugs. In this method, the CNI promoter can be attached to a gene that functions as a selectable marker (for use in genetic selections to screen test substances) or to a reporter gene (for use in evaluating the effect on CNI transcription by test substances).

In another aspect of the present invention, the CNI-polypeptides, for example, 10. mammalian homologue polypeptides of CNI, have potential use as therapeutic agents for both human and veterinary use. For example, CNI-polypeptides may be used in a method of enhancing immunosuppression in a test subject. In this method, the CNI-polypeptide is administered to the subject in a pharmaceutically-acceptable formulation and at a concentration effective to potentiate the interaction of an immunosuppressant/immunophilin complex with a subunit of calcineurin. The method may also include contacting the CNI-polypeptide with a cell under conditions effective to permit uptake of the protein into the cell in order to increase sensitivity of the cell to immunosuppressants. A CNI polypeptide used in such methods may be modified to be more suitable for administration or to be more effective in a cell. For example, a CNI polypeptide may be modified to eliminate PEST motifs, which are typically found in proteins with short half-lives, to extend the effective lifetime of the polypeptide in the target cell.

The following examples illustrate, but in no way are intended to limit the present invention.

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MATERIALS AND METHODS

Unless indicated otherwise, chemicals and reagents were obtained from Sigma Chemical Company (St. Louis, MO) or Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals (Chesterfield, MO), restriction endonucleases were obtained from New England Biolabs (Beverly, MA), and other modifying enzymes and biochemicals were obtained from Pharmacia Biotech (Piscataway, NJ) or Boehringer Mannheim (Indianapolis, IN). FK506 was obtained from Fujisawa USA. Inc. (Deerfield, IL), cyclosporin A was obtained from Sandoz (Basel, Switzerland), and rapamycin was obtained from Wyeth-Ayerst (Princeton, NJ). Materials for media for yeast growth and culture were obtained from DIFCO (Detroit, MI). Unless otherwise indicated, manipulations

of yeast, bacteria, nucleic acids, proteins and antibodies were performed using standard methods and protocols (e.g., Guthrie, et al., Sambrook, et al., Ausubel, et al., Harlow, et al., and Rose, et al.).

5 A. Buffers

Z buffer: 60 mM Na₂HPO₄-7H₂O, 40 mM NaH₂PO₄-H₂O, 10 mM KCl, 1 mM MgSO₄-7H₂O and 50 mM β -mercaptoethanol (pH 7.0).

B. Plasmids, Libraries and Yeast Strains

Plasmids pGBT9 (GBT), carrying GAL4 DNA-binding domain (amino acid residues 1-147; G4BD) and TRP1, and pGAD (GAD), carrying GAL4 activation domain (amino acid residues 768-881; G4AD) and LEU2; three pGAD libraries carrying fusions between G4AD and yeast genomic Sau3AI partial-digest fragments in each frame; and the yeast GAL1-lacZ reporter strain SFY526 (Y526; MATa ura3-52 ade2-101 lys2-801 his3-200 trp1-901 leu2-3,112 can1 gal4-542 gal80-538 URA3::GAL1-lacZ) were obtained from Stanley Fields (State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY; Chien, et al., Bartel, et al.). The libraries were constructed with linkers between the GAL4 activation domain and the Sau3AI fragments. The sequences of the linkers were 5'-ATCG-3'for the first library, 5'-ATCCG-3'for the second library, and 5'-ATCCCG-3'for the third library. In this way, the yeast genomic Sau3AI fragments were cloned in all three reading frames relative to G4AD.

Plasmids pAS2 (AS) carrying G4BD and TRP1, and pAS-lamin (AS-lamin) containing a sequence encoding a G4BD-lamin C fusion; and yeast reporter strains Y190 (MATa ura3-52 ade2-101 his3-Δ200 trp1-901 leu2-3,112 cyh2Δ, gal4Δ gal80Δ URA3::GAL-lacZ LYS2::GAL-HIS3), a derivative of Y153 carrying dual indicator genes (GAL-lacZ and GAL-HIS3), and Y187 (MATα ura3-52 ade2-101 lys2-801 his3-200 trp1-901 leu2-3,112 gal4Δ gal80Δ URA3::GAL-lacZ) carrying GAL-lacZ reporter were obtained from Stephen Elledge (Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX; Durfee, et al.). Yeast strain Y153b1 (cnb1::ADE2)was derived from Y153.

E coli strain JBe181 (leuB600 trpC9830) was obtained from Ira Herskowitz (University of California at San Francisco, San Francisco, CA). Protease-deficient yeast strain BJ2407 (Guthrie, et al.) was obtained from the Yeast Genetic Center (University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA).

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C. GAL4-Calcineurin Fusions

GAL4-calcineurin (GAL4-CN) fusions, GBT-A1 (G4BD-CNA1), GBT-A2 (G4BD-CNA2), GBT-B1 (G4BD-CNB1), GAD-A1 (G4AD-CNA1), GAD-A2 (G4AD-CNA2), and GAD-B1 (G4AD-CNB1) were constructed as follows. Plasmids containing inserts encoding 5 CN subunits CNA1 (SEQ ID NO:9; Cyert, et al., 1991), CNA2 (SEQ ID NO:11; Cyert, et al., 1991) and CNB1 (SEQ ID NO:13; Cyert, et al., 1992) were subjected to site-directed mutagenesis (Kunkle) to introduce a BamHI site just upstream of each subunit's initiation codon in the second reading frame. DNA prepared from the mutated plasmids was digested with BamHI and XhoI, and the resulting BamHI-XhoI fragments, each containing a full-length coding sequence, were cloned into GBT or GAD that had been cut with BamHI and Sal I. The resulting plasmids encoded in-frame fusions of the CN subunits with G4BD or G4AD.

Plasmids encoding CNA protein variants with truncated C-termini (GBT-A1ΔC, GBT-A2ΔC) were constructed by introducing stop codons after amino acid residues 509 (CNA1) and 502 (CNA2). The 44-residue deletion in GBT-A1ΔC removed the autoinhibitory domain of CNA1, while the 102-residue deletion in GBT-A2ΔC removed both the autoinhibitory and the calmodulin-binding domains of CNA2 (Cyert, et al., 1991).

Plasmid GBT-FKBP, containing an FK506 binding protein (FKBP) gene fused to the GAL4 binding domain, was constructed by introducing a Bg/II site upstream of the initiation codon and a BamHI site downstream of the stop codon of FKBP12 (Heitman, et al.) and ligating the Bg/II-BamHI fragment into GBT cut with BamHI.

Plasmid B1/YEp352 was constructed to contain the full coding sequence of CNB1 (SEQ ID NO:13, Cyert, et al., 1992) as a 1.4 kb BamHI-EcoRI fragment encompassing the sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:13 (812 bp; contains the coding sequence), in the multicopy plasmid YEp352(HIS), which is derived from YEp352 (URA) (Hill, et al.).

Plasmid CNI/YEp352(HIS) (also referred to as CNIH) was constructed by ligating a 3.16 kb MunI-EcoRV fragment, containing the full coding sequence of CNI, from plasmid CNI7.1 (construction described below) into YEp352(HIS) cut with EcoRI and SmaI. Plasmids CNI/YEp352(TRP) (also referred to as CNIT) and CNI/YEp352(URA) (also referred to as CNIU) were similarly constructed using the 3.16 kb fragment and YEp352(TRP) or YEp352(URA), respectively (Hill, et al.).

Plasmids A1/YEp351 and A2/YEp352 were constructed to contain the full coding sequences of CNA1 (SEQ ID NO:9, Cyert, et al., 1991) in YEp351 (Hill, et al.) and CNA2 (SEQ ID NO:11, Cyert, et al., 1991) in YEp351 and YEp352, respectively. A1/YEp351 was constructed by ligating a 2.9 kb SacI-HindIII fragment from clone CNA1 (Cyert, et al., 1991)

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into YEp351(HIS) cut with SacI and HindIII. A2/YEp352 was similarly constructed by ligating a 3 kb SpeI-HindIII fragment from clone CNA2 (Cyert, et al., 1991) into YEp352(HIS) cut with XbaI and HindIII.

All GAL4-CN fusions were verified by DNA sequencing (Sanger, et al.) using "SEQUENASE 2.0" sequencing kits (United States Biochemical, Cleveland, OH), and were subjected to the following tests. The functionality of the fusion proteins was assayed by determining whether they could complement the appropriate cn mutant phenotypes, using assays to measure the sensitivity to pheromone and Mn²⁺ (Reneke, et al., Cyert, et al., 1991). All of the GAL4-CN fusions were functional in this assay.

The fusion proteins were also tested for their ability to activate the reporter gene in the absence of the complementary GAL-4 domain fusion (i.e., in the presence of the complementary GAL4 domain not fused to a second protein, for example, G4BD-A1 vs G4AD) using the two-hybrid interaction assay described below. Only GBT-B1 and GAD-A1 were able to activate the reporter gene at low levels without the complimentary GAL-4 domain fusion—assays with the other fusion proteins in the absence of the complimentary GAL-4 domain fusion showed no detectable levels of expression.

The two-hybrid interaction assay was also used to test the ability of the fusions to interact specifically with another fusion containing complimentary GAL4 and CN domains (e.g., G4BD-A1 interacting with G4AD-B1). All CN hybrids were able to react specifically and result in an activation of the reporter gene that was clearly detectable above background. The high specificity witnessed in these experiments indicates that the GAL4 two-hybrid system can reliably be used to assay interactions between CN and other proteins.

D. Yeast GAL4 Two-Hybrid System for Detecting Protein-Protein Interaction

In the library screen, described in more detail in Example 1A, the yeast strain Y190, harboring the hybrid plasmid carrying the GAL4 binding domain fused to the A1 subunit of calcineurin (G4BD-CNA1), was transformed with fusion libraries carrying yeast genomic DNA Sau3AI fragments fused to the GAL4 activation domain. Transformants that were able to express the reporter genes, i.e., able to grow on -His + 3-AT and to score blue in β -gal assay, were selected as candidate positives. These candidate positives potentially contain library DNA fragments encoding proteins that physically interact with CNA1.

In another application described herein, the two-hybrid system was used to test for interactions between CNA (fused to one of the GAL4 domains) and CNB1 (fused to the other GAL4 domain), and between CNA and FKBP. Additional experiments tested a clone, CN1c,

isolated using the library screen, against a series of proteins fused to the complementary GAL4 domain under various conditions to test whether CN1c interacts with CNA subunits, and if so, how the interactions are affected by various conditions.

E. Color Development $(\beta$ -gal) Assay

Yeast reporters harboring both G4BD and G4AD fusions (and a third non-fusion plasmid in some cases) were monitored for β -gal activity as follows. Purified yeast transformants were patched onto selective plates with or without other test reagents. After growing 3 days at 30°C, colonies were lifted onto nitrocellulose filters, permeabilized in liquid nitrogen as above, placed on Whatman No. 1 paper in petri dishes containing 0.1% X-Gal in Z buffer (see above), and incubated at 30°C for 12 hours. Blue color begins to appear in positive colonies between about one half and ten hours into the incubation period.

Exemplary images obtained using the color development assay are presented in Figures 2A, 3A, 4A, 4C, 5A, 5C, 6A, 6C, 6F, 7A, 7C, 7E, 7G, 8A, 9A and 9C.

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F. Growth Assay

A growth assay, applicable to yeast strains Y190 and Y153b1 which carry both GAL-HIS3 and GAL-lacZ reporters, was sometimes used as a complement to the color assay described above. Yeast transformants were streaked onto selective plates containing 40-50 mM 3-AT and no Histidine, and incubated at 30°C for 3-7 days. Growth (corresponding to the level of HIS3 expression) was monitored as an indicator of the interaction between fusion proteins. In cases where both assays were used, the amount of cell growth typically correlated well with the color intensity in the β -gal assay.

G. Yeast Growth, Drug Treatment

Yeast were typically grown in YPD (rich non-selective) or synthetic complete (SC) medium with selected component drop-outs, depending on the plasmid introduced, following standard procedures (Sherman, et al., Ausubel, et al.).

Experiments utilizing treatment with drugs or additives were performed by including the drug or additive in the medium. For plating, the agar was autoclaved, allowed to cool to 50° C, and the drug or additive was added before pouring the plates. Unless otherwise indicated, drugs and additives were added to result in the following final medium concentrations: FK506: 1 μ g/ml, cyclosporin A: 10 μ g/ml, rapamycin: 10 ng/ml, and hygromycin B: 40μ g/ml.

H. Antibodies

Polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies, for use in the present invention, can be prepared by standard methods (Harlow, et al.) utilizing the CNI polypeptides of the present invention, for example, a substantially purified CNI/\(\beta\)-galactosidase fusion protein (Example 9). Antibodies can also be generated by recombinant techniques (Cabilly, et al.; Better, et al.; Skerra, et al.). In addition to whole antibody molecules, antibody fragments retaining the immunological specificity of the whole antibody may also be used in the practice of the present invention (e.g., Fab and F(ab')₂ fragments of IgG (Pierce Chemical, Rockford, IL)). The antibodies can be purified by standard methods to provide antibody preparations which are substantially free of serum proteins that may affect reactivity (e.g., affinity purification (Harlow et al.)).

EXAMPLE 1

Isolation of CNIc

15 A. <u>Library Screening</u>

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Yeast strain Y190 was transformed with pGBT-CNA1 TRP1 (GBT-A1) hybrid plasmid using the transformation protocol described by Schiestl, et al. Transformants were selected, colony purified, and a single transformant was selected to make (Y190 GBT-A1)-competent cells, following the procedure described in Guthrie, et al..

The three pGAD yeast fusion libraries described above, carrying fusions between G4AD and yeast genomic DNA Sau3Al fragments in each reading frame, were then used to transform (Schiestl, et al.) the Y190 GBT-A1-containing cells. Transformants were plated onto SC-Trp-Leu-His plates containing 40 mM 3-aminotriazole (3-AT; Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO) and incubated at 30°C for 6 days to screen for HIS⁺ colonies (Durfee, et al.).

His⁺ colonies were replica plated onto nitrocellulose filters (Schleicher & Schuell, Keene, NH), frozen in liquid nitrogen for approximately 30 seconds, and incubated at 30°C for 12 hours with Z buffer (see above) containing the chromogenic substrate X-Gal (0.1%) to assay β -gal activity (Breeden, et al.).

Candidate positive (blue) colonies were re-streaked for single colonies. Single colonies were purified and retested using the above protocol. Colonies which reproducibly tested positive were screened using PCR with primers directed against the internal portion of GAL-4 (i.e. the portion between the DNA binding domain and the activation domain). The sequences of the primers, G4-PCR-A and G4-PCR-B, are given as SEQ ID NO:22 and SEQ ID NO:23,

respectively. Colonies yielding a PCR product were identified as containing intact GAL4, and were eliminated.

The GBT-A1 TRP⁺ plasmid was eliminated by growing in Trp⁺ liquid media for 2-3 days, plating on -Leu media and then replica-plating on -Leu and -Trp plates to identify and eliminate colonies that had lost the GBT-A1 plasmid, yet still gave a positive signal.

Plasmid DNA was extracted from the remaining Leu⁺ candidates. The plasmid DNA was transformed into E coli JBe181 and plated on -Leu media to select for library plasmids. The library plasmids isolated by this method were introduced back to the yeast reporter strains either alone or with test G4BD fusions: GBT, GBT-A1, and AS-lamin.

A parallel specificity assay was conducted by mating. Candidate strains, as described above, were 3-AT growth positive and X-gal positive when both the library and GBT-A1 plasmids were present. After elimination of the GBT-A1 plasmid from these strains, strains that were Leu⁺ Trp⁻ 3-AT growth and β -gal were mated to the following strains: Y187 (MAT α) carrying GBT, GBT-A1, or AS-lamin, and the diploids were assayed.

Among the 3-AT positive, β -gal positive candidates identified by the secondary screening method just described, one clone (III-21S, later termed GAD-CNIc) was specifically positive in conjunction with GBT-A1 in both the transformation assay and the mating assay.

B. <u>Sequence of CNIc</u>

Clone III-21S was sequenced as above. The sequence is presented herein as SEQ ID NO:1, and a schematic representation of the clone is shown in Figure 1A. The Sau3AI library insert encodes 306 amino acids followed by a stop codon in frame with the coding sequence of GAL4, but does not contain an in-frame ATG start site upstream of the stop codon. This is consistent with the fragment encoding a c-terminal portion of a complete gene product.

25 Accordingly, the clone was termed CNIc, with the lowercase "c" representing "c-terminal".

The stippled portion between GAL-4AD and CNIc in Figure 1A represents the linker discussed in Materials and Methods, above. Also indicated in the Figure are the approximate locations of in-frame start (ATG) and stop codons, and Sau3AI restriction sites.

30 C. Isolation of a Full Length Clone

A ³²P-labeled CNIc probe was generated from the 1.22 kb CNIc insert of clone III-21S by polymerase chain reaction (PCR) using primers represented as SEQ ID NO:7 and SEQ ID NO:8. The probe was used to map the gene to the right arm of chromosome 11 by hybridization screening (Sambrook, et al.) a panel of λ clones (American Type Culture

Collection (ATCC), Rockville, MD) spanning the entire yeast genome. Two clones, 70500 and 70590, gave positive hybridization signals. A phage lysate of clone 70500 in λ MG3 was obtained from the ATCC, was amplified, purified, restriction-mapped and used as a DNA source for subsequent cloning experiments.

The phage DNA was digested with SacI, yielding a 7.1 kb fragment containing the entire CNI gene. This fragment was cloned into "BLUESCRIPT SK" (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) cut with SacI, yielding plasmid CNI7.1. Plasmid CNI7.1 was digested with MunI and EcoRV, releasing a 3.16 kb fragment containing the entire coding sequence of CNI. The 3.16 kb fragment was then cloned into each of YEp352(HIS), YEp352(TRP), YEp352(URA), and "BLUESCRIPT SK", each cut with EcoRI and Smal, yielding plasmids CNIH, CNIT, CNIU and CNI3.2, respectively. The sequence of the 3.16 kb MunI/EcoRV fragment is encompassed by the 3.5 kb sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:4. The MunI site is at nucleotide 100 of SEQ ID NO:4, and the EcoRV site is at nucleotide 3263 of SEQ ID NO:4.

A schematic diagram of the sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:4 is shown in Figure 15 1B. This sequence contains the 3.16 kb MunI/EcoRV fragment used in many of the experiments described herein (depicted in Figure 1B as the portion between the MunI and EcoRV sites), which contains the entire 2.75 kb coding sequence of CNI (SEQ ID NO:6; graphically indicated in Figure 1B by the locations of the "ATG" and "Stop" codons).

Figure 13 also shows the location of certain features of the sequence. For example, "PEST" motifs (Rogers, et al., Dice) are indicated by bars over the corresponding sequence.

A search of known DNA and protein sequences turned up no obvious matches or homologies to genes in other organisms. Accordingly, CNI may represent a new type of calcineurin-binding protein.

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EXAMPLE 2

Binding of CNIc to Calcineurin

Y190 yeast carrying the plasmids indicated below were assayed for β -gal activity by color development assay described above to determine the specificity of binding of CNIc to subunits of calcineurin.

Exemplary data, in the form of images of filters having yeast colony replicas that had undergone the β-gal color development assay are shown in Figure 2A. The legend for Fig. 2A is shown in Figure 2B. Numbers in the legend refer to locations of yeast colonies expressing particular combinations of plasmid constructs. The constructs are as follows: 20:GBT-A1 and

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GAD-B1, 21:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 22:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 23:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc 24:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc 25:AS-lamin and GAD-CNIc 26:GBT and GAD-CNIc.

Yeast colonies used in the assay were derived by several different methods. Those at location 22 were purified colonies from the original library screen, those at 21 were colonies transformed with mini-prep DNA of the isolated GAD-CNIc plasmid, and the remaining colonies (23, 24, 25 and 26) were transformed with maxi-prep (Qiagen, Chatsworth, CA) DNA of GAD-CNIc.

A comparison of the intensities of the blue β -gal reaction product indicates that CNIc interacted strongly with CNA1 regardless of the source of the CNIc plasmid DNA (20, 21, 22 and 23), and somewhat less strongly with CNA2 (24). Neither cells containing AS-lamin with GAD-CNIc (25), nor cells containing only GBT with GAD-CNIc (26) showed a detectable signal above background. Two subunits of calcineurin (CNA1, CNB1) known to interact were used as a positive control for the assay (20).

In summary, the data above show that CNIc interacted specifically with CNA1 and CNA2, but not with G4BD or lamin C.

A similar set of experiments was conducted using constitutively-active CNA subunits, as well as calcineurin subunit CNB1. As described in Materials and Methods, above, CNA1ΔC and CNA2ΔC were each missing a C-terminal portion of the protein containing an autoinhibitory domain. Exemplary results from these experiments are shown in Figure 3A. The legend for Fig. 3A is shown in Figure 3B. Locations of yeast colonies expressing specific constructs are as follows: 27:GBT and GAD-CNIc, 28:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 29:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 30:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD, 31:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD, 32:GBT-B1 and GAD-CNIc, 33:GBT-B1 and GAD, 34:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-B1, and 35:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-B1.

The data show that GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc (28) gave a definite positive signal, while GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc (29) was weaker, though still detectable above its background (i.e. GBT-A2ΔC and GAD; 31). The signal from GBT-B1 and GAD-CNIc (32) was not detectable above vector background (GBT-B1 and GAD; 33). Positive controls GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-B1 (34) and GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-B1 (35) gave strong signals.

These data show that CNIc interacted specifically with CNA1 Δ C and CNA2 Δ C, but not with CNB1.

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EXAMPLE 3

Effects of Immunosuppressant Drugs on Binding of CNIc to Calcineurin in B1⁻⁻, B1 Deletion and B1 Overproducing Yeast Strains

Three yeast strains carrying the plasmids indicated below were assayed for β-gal activity as above to determine if the immunosuppressant drugs FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA) and rapamycin affect the binding of CNIc to subunits of calcineurin. The experiments were performed in yeast strains wild-type for the CNB1 subunit, null for the CNB1 subunit, and in yeast transformed with a high efficiency expression vector containing DNA encoding the CNB1 subunit.

Exemplary data, in the form of filter images produced as above are shown in Figures 4A, 4C, 5A and 5C. Plates used to make the filters shown in Figs. 4A and 4C were replicas from one master plate, while plates used to make the filters shown in Figs. 5A and 5C were replicas from another plate. The plates used to generate filters shown in Figs. 4A and 5A were without FK506, while the plates used to generate filters shown in Figs. 4C and 5C contained $1 \mu g/ml$ FK506.

The legends for Figs. 4A and 4C are shown in Figures 4B and 4D, respectively. Since the imaged filters in Figs. 4A and 4C were from replica plates, corresponding locations on each filter contain material from the same yeast colonies. Accordingly, the locations are referred to by the same "base" numbers in the legends. To facilitate reference to a specific location on a specific filter, the base numbers are followed by a lowercase letter that is different for each of the individual filters. For example, in the present figure, "a" follows the base numbers to identify locations on the filter shown in Fig. 4A, while a "b" follows the base numbers to identify locations on the plate in Fig. 4C. This labeling scheme is used in other experiments detailed herein where multiple filter lifts are shown.

The interactions of various combinations of proteins expressed by constructs indicated below was studied in three yeast strains. Strain Y153b, at 36-40, is null for the CNB1 subunit of calcineurin. Strains Y190 (41-46) and Y526 (47-51) are wild-type for CNA1, CNA2 and CNB1.

Hybrid proteins expressed by colonies at specific locations are as follows: 36:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 37:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc, 38:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 39:GBT and GAD-CNIc, 40:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 41:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 42:GBT and GAD-CNIc, 43:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc, 44:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 45:GBT-A1 and GAD-B1, 46:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 47:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 48:GBT and GAD-CNIc.

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49:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc, 50:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, and 51:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc.

Yeast strain Y526 was used for all experiments shown in Figs. 5A, 5B, 5C and 5D. The expression vector B1/YEp352(HIS) was not used in strains Y190 or Y153b1 because they are HIS⁺ in the absence of 3-AT.

The base numbers in Figures 5B and 5D correspond to locations of colonies expressing the following constructs: 52:GBT-A1, GAD-CNIc and YEp352, 53:GBT-A1, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, 54:GBT-A2, GAD-CNIc and YEp352, 55:GBT-A2, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, 56:GBT, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, 57:GBT-A1ΔC, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, and 58:GBT-A2ΔC, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352.

A comparison of data shown in Fig. 4A (no added drugs) shows the effect of deleting the endogenous host CNB1 gene on interactions between CNIc and calcineurin subunits CNA1, CNA2, CNA1ΔC and CNA2ΔC. Note that interactions in panels 36a-40a (CNB1 null strain) were all stronger (with the exception of the negative control in 39) than interactions in corresponding panels 41a-51a (strains wild-type for CNB1). This result indicates that interaction between CNIc and CNA subunits were enhanced by the deletion of the CNB1 subunit.

Comparison of corresponding panels in Figs. 4A and 4C shows the effects of FK506 on CNIc-CNA/CNA Δ C interactions. The drug enhanced interactions under all except control (39, 42 and 48) conditions. The effect was most striking in yeast strains wild-type for the CNB1 subunit (e.g., compare 50a with 50b, and 51a with 51b).

The drug also markedly enhanced CNIc-CNA/CNAΔC interactions under conditions where the CNB1 subunit was overexpressed. Figure 5A shows the effect of overexpressing CNB1 on CNIc-CNA/CNAΔC interactions in the absence of drug. Colonies expressing B1/YEp352 (53a, 55a-58a) had reduced signal as compared with controls expressing only YEp352 (52a, 54a). Inclusion of FK506 in the plating medium (Fig. 5C), however, enhanced interactions in all colonies, except the negative controls (56).

Taken together, the above data demonstrate that the interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNAΔC was markedly enhanced by FK506. The interaction was also enhanced by deletion of CNB1 and diminished by overexpression of CNB1, and the inhibitory effect of CNB1 overproduction was overcome by the stimulatory effect of FK506.

In light of the effects of FK506 on CNIc-CNA/CNA Δ C interactions, two other immunosuppressants, cyclosporin A and rapamycin, were examined in similar experiments. The results of these experiments are shown in Figures 6A-6F and 7A-7H. Filters shown in

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Figs. 6A-6F were from replica plates, as were those in Figs. 7A-7H. Colonies shown in Figs. 6A and 7A were plated without drugs; those in Figs. 6C and 7C were plated with FK506 (1 μg/ml), those in Figs. 6E and 7E with CsA (10 μg/ml), and those in Fig. 7G with rapamycin (10 ng/ml). Yeast strains used were as follows: In Figs. 6A-6F, panels 59-63 were Y153b1, 64-69 were Y190, and 70-74 were Y526. In Figs. 7A-7H, panels 77-83 were Y526, and panels 75 and 76 were Y190.

The base numbers in Figures 6B, 6D and 6F correspond to locations of colonies expressing the following constructs: 59:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 60:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc, 61:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 62:GBT and GAD-CNIc, 63:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 67:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 65:GBT and GAD-CNIc, 66:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc, 67:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 68:GBT-A1 and GAD-B1, 69:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc, 70:GBT-A1 and GAD-CNIc, 71:GBT and GAD-CNIc, 72:GBT-A2 and GAD-CNIc, 73:GBT-A1ΔC and GAD-CNIc, and 74:GBT-A2ΔC and GAD-CNIc.

The base numbers in Figures 7B, 7D, 7F and 7H correspond to locations of colonies expressing the following constructs: 75:GBT-FKBP and GAD, 76:GBT-FKBP and GAD-CNIc, 77:GBT-A1, GAD-CNIc and YEp352, 78:GBT-A1, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, 79:GBT-A2, GAD-CNIc and YEp352, 80:GBT-A2, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, 81:GBT, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, 82:GBT-A1ΔC, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352, and 83:GBT-A2ΔC, GAD-CNIc and B1/YEp352.

The data presented in Figures 6A and 6C are essentially equivalent to those presented in Figures 4A and 4C, respectively. The constructs and yeast strains at corresponding locations were the same. As expected, the β -gal signal was also essentially equivalent between the two sets. Data shown in Figure 6E demonstrate that like FK506, the immunosuppressant cyclosporin A was also effective in enhancing interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNA Δ C. Both FK506 and cyclosporin A are known to exert their immunosuppressive effects through inhibition of calcineurin activity (Cyert).

Similarly, data shown in Figures 7A and 7C are essentially equivalent to those in Figures 5A and 5C, except that a top panel has been added in Figs. 7A-H. As above, the corresponding panels show the same constructs and yeast strains. The added panels (75 and 76) assessed the interaction of an FK506 binding protein (FKBP) with CNIc, and indicate that there were no detectable interactions between these proteins. Results in Fig. 7E demonstrate that cyclosporin A had a similar effect to FK506 in cells overexpressing CNB1 — that is, it enhanced the interactions between CNIc and CNA/CNAAC.

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In contrast, data presented in Fig. 7G show that the immunosuppressant rapamycin, which is known not to target calcineurin, had no detectable effect on CNIc-CNA/CNA\(Delta\)C interactions (compare Fig. 7G with Fig. 7A).

Taken together, the above data show that like FK506, cyclosporin A (CsA), but not rapamycin, also enhanced the interaction of CNIc with CNA and CNAΔC. CNIc didn't interact with FKBP with or without FK506.

EXAMPLE 4

Effects of CNI on FKBP/FK506 binding to Calcineurin

Y526 cells, carrying the plasmids indicated below, were grown in -Trp-Leu-His liquid media with or without FK506 (1 μ g/ml) until OD₆₀₀ reached about 1.0. Approximately the same number of cells, calculated based on OD₆₀₀ and equivalent to 1 ml of an OD₆₀₀=1 suspension, was harvested from each culture, washed once with ddH₂O, centrifuged briefly, and the pellet was resuspended in 30 μ l ddH₂O and transferred onto a nitrocellulose filter. The filters were frozen in liquid nitrogen as described above, placed in a 8.5 cm petri dish containing a sheet of Whatman No. 1 paper (Whatman International LTD, Maidstone, UK) in 1.6 ml Z buffer containing 0.1% X-Gal, and incubated at 30°C for 8 hours.

Figure 8A presents exemplary data from studies to assess the effect of CNI overexpression on FK506-mediated FKBP interactions with CNA2. The legend for Fig. 8A is shown in Figure 8B. Locations of yeast colonies expressing specific constructs: 84:GBT-FKBP, GAD-A2 and YEp352, 85:GBT-FKBP, GAD-A2 and YEp352, 86:GBT-FKBP, GAD-A2 and CNI/YEp352, and 87:GBT-FKBP, GAD-A2 and CNI/YEp352. The cells at 85 and 87 were exposed to FK506, while those at 84 and 86 were not.

Data in Figure 8A demonstrate that, in the absence of FK506, FKBP and CNA2 showed no detectable interaction (84). In the presence of FK506, however, the proteins interacted (85), presumably because FK506 formed a complex with FKBP, which then bound CNA2 (Cyert).

Data in Figure 8A further show that, in the absence of FK506, CNI had no effect on the lack of interaction between FKBP and CNA2 (86). In the presence of FK506 (87), however, CNI potentiated, or enhanced the binding between FKBP and CNA2 (compare the intensity at 87 with that at 85). This effect suggests that CNI and similar compounds may be employed to increase the sensitivity of calcineurin to immunosuppressant drugs that act on it, and in this way, decrease the amount of the immunosuppressant required for a particular level of immunosuppression.

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Experiments illustrated in Figures 9A and 9B demonstrate that CNI overproduction had little or no effect on the binding of CNA2 to CNB1, providing support for the specificity of the stimulatory effect that CNI overproduction had on the FK506-dependent binding of FKBP to calcineurin. The legends for Fig. 9A and 9B are shown in Figures 9B and 9D, respectively. Locations of yeast colonies expressing the following constructs: 88:GBT-A2, GAD-B1 and YEp352, 89:GBT-A2, GAD-B1 and YEp352, 90:GBT-A2, GAD-B1 and CNI/YEp352, and 91:GBT-A2, GAD-B1 and CNI/YEp352. The colonies at 89 and 91 were exposed to FK506, while colonies at 88 and 90 were not.

Taken together, the above data show that overexpression of the full-length CNI clone markedly enhanced the FK506-dependent interaction of FKBP with CNA, although it didn't affect the interaction between CNA and CNB1.

EXAMPLE 5

Co-Immunoprecipitation of CNIc and CNA

Yeast BJ2407 harboring AS-CNIc, which carries an influenza hemagglutinin (HA) epitope tag (Wilson, et al.), and GAD-A2 (lanes 1, 3) or A2/YEp352 (lanes 2, 5), and strain MCY300-1 (cna1 cna2; lane 4) were grown in selective media to $OD_{600}=0.8$. The cells were harvested, lysed, and immunoprecipitated in the presence of 25 μ g/ml FK506 with anti-HA monoclonal antibody (obtained from M. Kirschner, Harvard University, Boston, MA; Wilson, et al.), following protocols described in Harlow, et al. The cell extracts (lanes 3-5) and the immune complex (lanes 1, 2) were resolved by sodium dodecyl sulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE; Laemmli) followed by western blot with a rabbit anti-CNA2 polyclonal antibody generated using standard methods (Harlow, et al.). Bound anti-CNA2 antibody was visualized with the "ECL" kit (Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL) using goat antirabbit antibody. Molecular weight markers are indicated on the right in kD.

The results demonstrate that CNIc was capable of binding to CNA2 tightly enough for the complex to be co-immunoprecipitated. This independent, biochemical assay confirmed the results described above obtained using the two hybrid protein interaction assay — that is, that CNIc physically interacted with and bound CNA subunits.

Cell extracts of BJ2407 harboring AS-CNIc, and GAD-A2 or A1/Yep351, and Y153b1 harboring AS-CNIc and GAD-A1 were subjected to SDS-PAGE followed by western blot with anti HA antibody. The results showed that CNIc was present at very low levels in vivo.

The results are consistent with the observations that a limited amount of CNA2 was precipitated by anti-HA antibody recognizing the CNIc fusions, and that CNI contains PEST-like motifs, a feature of proteins with a short half-life in vivo (Rogers, et al.).

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EXAMPLE 6

Northern Blot of CNIc

Norther blots (e.g., Sambrook, et al.) of yeast total RNA were hybridized with a CNIc probe. Exemplary data are shown in Figure 11. 20 μ g yeast RNA from YPH499 (lane 1) and MCY300-1 (lane 2) was resolved in a formaldehyde-agarose gel, transferred onto "HYBOND N+" membrane (Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL), and hybridized with $5x10^6$ cpm/ml probe of the CNIc insert (1.22kb). A single message of approximately 2.9 kb was detected in both strains at about the same level following an 18-hour exposure on XAR5 film (Eastman Kodak, Rochester, NY).

The data indicate that CNI was a physiologically expressed gene encoding a 2.9 kb message in yeast.

EXAMPLE 7

Chromosome Mapping of CNIc

A yeast chromosome blot obtained from the ATCC was hybridized with probe of the CNIc insert following the Southern hybridization procedure described in Sambrook, et al. A positive hybridization signal was obtained with two ATCC yeast genomic λ clones derived from chromosome 11. Clone 70500 had a relatively strong signal, while clone 70590 had a somewhat weaker one. A phage lysates of clone 70500 was ordered from the ATCC, amplified, purified, restriction-mapped, and used as a DNA source for cloning full length CNI (Example 1).

EXAMPLE 8

CNI null Mutants

1. Construction of cni Null Mutation

A 5', 1.8 kb BgIII-HindIII and a 3', 0.9 kb XbaI-BgIII fragment of CNI were ligated into pRS305(LEU2) (Sikorski, et al.). The resultant plasmid had a deletion of a 2 kb HindIII-XbaI fragment from the coding sequence of CNI. This cni::LEU2 mutant was introduced into the genomes of yeast haploid strains YPH499 (Sikorski, et al.), MCY300-1 (cnal cna2) and DD12 (cnb1) (Cyert, et al., 1991, Cyert, et al., 1992) as well as two diploid strains.

Leucine prototrophs were isolated at high frequency from all strains, and hybridization analysis confirmed that the *cni::LEU2* allele had replaced the CNI gene. The experiments indicate that CNI is not essential for viability, since CNI deletion mutant strains (even cni cn double mutants) can survive.

CM was deleted from three yeast strains: YPH499 (WT), MCY300-1 (cna1 cna2), and DD12 (cnb1), resulting in cni strains LHy499, LHy300 and LHy12, respectively. Cells representing four colonies of each *cni* knockout strain and two colonies of each parent strain were grown in liquid YPD (Sherman, *et al.*) to saturation. Same numbers of cells from each culture were then plated onto YPD+Hygromycin B (40 μ g/ml) and growth was monitored at 30°C.

CNI deletions in each strain rendered that strain more resistant to hygromycin B. The effect was particularly pronounced in both MCY300-1 and DD12, suggesting that CNI functions as a suppressor of CN mutant's sensitivity to hygromycin B. The data indicate that deletion of CNI results in higher resistance to hygromycin B.

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EXAMPLE 9

Isolation of CNI/B-Galactosidase Fusion Protein

A CNI coding sequence is cloned into the λ gt11 vector (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA). The coding frame is cloned in-frame to the β-galactosidase coding sequences present in λ gt11.

20 Bacterial lysogens infected either with lambda phage gt11 or with gt11/CNI are incubated in 32°C until the culture reaches to an O.D. of 0.4. Then the culture is incubated in a 43°C water bath for 15 minutes to induce gt11 peptide synthesis, and further incubated at 37°C for 1 hour. Bacterial cells are pelleted and lysed in lysis buffer (10 mM Tris, pH 7.4, 2 % "TRITON X-100" and 1% aprotinin). Bacterial lysates are clarified by centrifugation (10K, for 10 minutes, Sorvall JA20 rotor) and the clarified lysates are incubated with Sepharose 4B beads conjugated with anti-β-galactosidase (Promega).

Binding and elution of β -galactosidase fusion proteins are performed according to the manufacturer's instruction. Typically binding of the proteins and washing of the column are done with lysis buffer. Bound proteins are eluted with 0.1 M carbonate/bicarbonate buffer, pH 10.

While the invention has been described with reference to specific methods and embodiments, it will be appreciated that various modifications and changes may be made without departing from the invention.

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TAGT	CATAC	AA A	ATATA	CACC	A TO	AATO	TATA	CAI	CCAT	ATC	ACTI	GTCG	TA I	AAGAI	ATCC	C 3270
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ATTI	ATTA	ree c	TTGC	TTTA	G AI	TTTI	CCAA	GTC	CAATI	TTT	GTTI	TTTC	TA I	ACGCI	TGCA	A 3390
CCTC	CATCI	CA A	CCTI	CTTC	C TI	TGCA	AGCA	GAT	CTTC	GAA	ACCA	TCTC	GT :	TATI	CTCT	C. 3450
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 915 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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Met Glu Gln Asp Ile Asn Ala Ala Pro Asp Ala Val Pro Leu Val Gln 20 25 30

Thr Thr Leu Gln Val Phe Val Lys Leu Ala Glu Pro Ile Val Phe
35 40 45

Leu Lys Gly Phe Glu Thr Asn Gly Leu Ser Glu Ile Ala Pro Ser Ile 50 60

Leu Arg Gly Ser Leu Ile Val Arg Val Leu Lys Pro Asn Lys Leu Lys 65 70 75 80

Ser Ile Ser Ile Thr Phe Lys Gly Ile Ser Arg Thr Glu Trp Pro Glu 85 90 95

Gly Ile Pro Pro Lys Arg Glu Glu Phe Ser Asp Val Glu Thr Val Val 100 105 110

Asn His Thr Trp Pro Phe Tyr Gln Ala Asp Asp Gly Met Asn Ser Phe 115 120 125

Thr Leu Glu His His Ser Ser Asn Asn Ser Ser Asn Arg Pro Ser Met 130 135 140

Ser 145	Asp	Glu	Asp	Tyr	Leu 150	Leu	Glu	Lys	Ser	Gly 155	Ala	Ser	Val	Tyr	Ile 160
Pr	Pro	Thr	Ala	Glu 165	Pro	Pro	Lys	Asp	Asn 170	Ser	Asn	Lu	Ser	Leu 175	Asp
			Arg 180					185					190		
		195	Asp				200					205			
	210		Leu			215					220				
225			Asn		230					235					240
			Phe	245					250					233	
			Leu 260					265					270		
		275	Asp				280					203			
	290		Ser			295					300				
305					310					313					320
			Ile	325					330					333	
			Ala 340					345					330		
		355	Val				360					303			
	370					375					380				Arg
385					390					373					Asn 400
				405					410						Leu
			420					425					430		Ser
		435					440								Lys
	450					455					400				Pro
465					470					4,3					Asp 480
Lys	Ile	Lys	Ala	His 485	His	Trp	Ile	rys	490	Сув	Ten	nry	264	495	Lys

Lys Tyr Gly Asp Asn Arg Lys His Phe Glu Ile Ser Ile Asp Ser Pro 505 lle His Ile Leu Asn Gln Leu Cys Ser His Ala Asn Thr Leu Leu Pro Ser Tyr Glu Ser His Phe Gln Tyr Cys Asp Glu Asp Gly Asn Phe Ala Pro Ala Ala Asp Gln Gln Asn Tyr Ala Ser His His Asp Ser Asn Ile 555 Phe Phe Pro Lys Glu Val Leu Ser Ser Pro Val Leu Ser Pro Asn Val Gin Lys Met Asn Ile Arg Ile Pro Ser Asp Leu Pro Val Val Arg Asn 585 Arg Ala Glu Ser Val Lys Lys Ser Lys Ser Asp Asn Thr Ser Lys Lys Asn Asp Gln Ser Ser Asn Val Phe Ala Ser Lys Gln Leu Val Ala Asn Ile Tyr Lys Pro Asn Gln Ile Pro Arg Glu Leu Thr Ser Pro Gln Ala Leu Pro Leu Ser Pro Ile Thr Ser Pro Ile Leu Asn Tyr Gln Pro Leu Ser Asn Ser Pro Pro Pro Asp Phe Asp Phe Asp Leu Ala Lys Arg Gly Ala Ala Asp Ser His Ala Ile Pro Val Asp Pro Pro Ser Tyr Phe Asp Val Leu Lys Ala Asp Gly Ile Glu Leu Pro Tyr Tyr Asp Thr Ser Ser Ser Lys Ile Pro Glu Leu Lys Leu Asn Lys Ser Arg Glu Thr Leu Ala Ser Ile Glu Glu Asp Ser Phe Asn Gly Trp Ser Gln Ile Asp Asp Leu Ser Asp Glu Asp Asp Asn Asp Gly Asp Ile Ala Ser Gly Phe Asn Phe Lys Leu Ser Thr Ser Ala Pro Ser Glu Asn Val Asn Ser His Thr Pro Ile Leu Gln Ser Leu Asn Met Ser Leu Asp Gly Arg Lys Lys Asn Arg Ala Ser Leu His Ala Thr Ser Val Leu Pro Ser Thr Ile Arg Gln Asn 795 Asn Gln His Phe Asn Asp Ile Asn Gln Met Leu Gly Ser Ser Asp Glu Asp Ala Phe Pro Lys Ser Gln Ser Leu Asn Phe Asn Lys Lys Leu Pro 825 820 Ile Leu Lys Ile Asn Asp Asn Val Ile Gln Ser Asn Ser Asn Ser Asn 835 840

Asn Arg Val Asp Asn Pr Glu Asp Thr Val Asp Ser Ser Val Asp Ile 850 860

Thr Ala Phe Tyr Asp Pro Arg Met Ser Ser Asp Ser Lys Phe Asp Trp 865 870 875 880

Glu Val Ser Lys Asn His Val Asp Pro Ala Ala Tyr Ser Val Asn Val 885 890 895

Ala Ser Glu Asn Arg Val Leu Asp Asp Phe Lys Lys Ala Phe Arg Glu 900 905 910

Lys Arg Lys 915

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 2745 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA to mRNA
 - (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
 - (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
 - (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: coding sequence of CNI
 - (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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CAATTACCCA	TCAAAGTCGT	AAGGCTTCCT	TCTGATGGAT	CCGTAGAAGA	GACTGAAGCT	1020
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ACTCTGCATC	GTATTAGAAT	TTATCTAACA	GAGTCTATGG	AATACACTTG	TAATAGTAAT	1200
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CCTCCAGATT	TTGATTTTGA	TCTAGCTAAG	CGCGGCGCAG	CCGATTCTCA	TGCTATTCCT	2040
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single

	51	
	(D) TOPOLOGY: linear	
(ii)	MOLECULE TYPE: DNA	
(iii)	HYPOTHETICAL: NO	
(iv)	ANTI-SENSE: NO	
(Vi)	ORIGINAL SOURCE: (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: CNI-PRC-A	
(xi)	SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:	
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2) INFO	RMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:	
(i)	SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS: (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs (B) TYPE: nucleic acid (C) STRANDEDNESS: single (D) TOPOLOGY: linear	
(ii)	MOLECULE TYPE: DNA	
(iii)	HYPOTHETICAL: NO	
(iv)	ANTI-SENSE: NO	
(vi)	ORIGINAL SOURCE: (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: CNI-PCR-B	
(xi)	SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:	
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(2) INFO	RMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:	
(i)	SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS: (A) LENGTH: 1964 base pairs (B) TYPE: nucleic acid (C) STRANDEDNESS: double (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown	
(ii)	MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)	
(iii)	HYPOTHETICAL: NO	
(iv)	ANTI-SENSE: NO	
(vi)	ORIGINAL SOURCE: (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: genomic DNA fragment containing full CNA1 coding sequence	
(ix)	FEATURE: (A) NAME/KEY: CDS (B) LOCATION: 2861944	

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

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TGT	ATA	ATC	CTTI	CAATO	TT 1	TTGA	LATC	LA GI	\GGC#	TAT	TAT	IAAA?	AGAA	CGA	GCAAA	G 180
CCI	TTAA	TAT	TTGC	TTTA	TT A	LAAGG	TATI	A TI	CAAA	GAAA	AGI	TTTT	ATT	GATI	CTTTT	T 240
TTI	TTGA	CGT	ATTA	GCTC	AG C	TGCC	ATAA	A AC	ACTO	TCAA	CGC			CG A Ser I		294
GAC Asp	TTG Leu	Asn	TCT Ser	TCA Ser	CGC Arg	ATC Ile 10	Lys	ATC	ATT Ile	Lys	Pro 15	Asn	GAC Asp	TCT Ser	TAC	342
ATA Ile 20	Lys	GTT Val	GAC Asp	CGG Arg	AAA Lys 25	Lys	GAT Asp	TTA Leu	ACA Thr	AAA Lys 30	Tyr	GAA Glu	TTA	GAA Glu	AAC Asn 35	390
GGT Gly	AAA Lys	GTA Val	ATT	TCT Ser 40	Thr	AAG Lys	GAC Asp	CGA Arg	TCC Ser 45	TAC Tyr	GCT Ala	TCT Ser	GTA Val	CCT Pro 50	GCC Ala	438
ATA Ile	ACA Thr	GGA Gly	AAG Lys 55	ATA Ile	CCA Pro	AGT Ser	GAT Asp	GAG Glu 60	Glu	GTA Val	TTC Phe	GAC Asp	TCC Ser 65	Lys	ACG Thr	486
GGA Gly	TTA Leu	CCT Pro 70	AAT Asn	CAT His	TCC Ser	TTT Phe	TTA Leu 75	AGA Arg	GAG Glu	CAT His	TTC Phe	TTT Phe 80	CAT His	GAG Glu	GGT Gly	534
CGA Arg	CTT Leu 85	TCT Ser	AAG Lys	GAA Glu	CAG Gln	GCC Ala 90	ATA Ile	AAA Lys	ATC Ile	TTA Leu	AAT Asn 95	ATG Met	TCA Ser	ACT Thr	GTA Val	582
GCA Ala 100	TTG Leu	AGT Ser	AAA Lys	GAA Glu	CCC Pro 105	AAT Asn	CTA Leu	CTA Leu	AAA Lys	CTC Leu 110	AAA Lys	GCG Ala	CCA Pro	ATT Ile	ACT Thr 115	630
ATA Ile	TGT Cys	GGT Gly	GAT Asp	ATT Ile 120	CAC His	GGG Gly	CAG Gln	TAT Tyr	TAT Tyr 125	GAT Asp	TTA Leu	TTG Leu	AAA Lys	CTG Leu 130	TTT Phe	678
GAA Glu	GTT Val	GGC Gly	GGT Gly 135	GAC Asp	CCC Pro	GCC Ala	GAA Glu	ATC Ile 140	GAC Asp	TAT Tyr	TTA Leu	TTC Phe	TTG Leu 145	GGG Gly	GAT Asp	726
TAT Tyr	GTT Val	GAT Asp 150	AGA Arg	GGT Gly	GCA Ala	TTC Phe	TCT Ser 155	TTT Phe	GAG Glu	TGT Cys	CTG Leu	ATT Ile 160	TAT Tyr	TTG Leu	TAC Tyr	774
TCC Ser	TTG Leu 165	AAG Lys	TTG Leu	TAA Asn	AAT Asn	TTA Leu 170	GGG Gly	AGA Arg	TTT Phe	TGG Trp	ATG Met 175	CTA Leu	AGA Arg	GGT Gly	AAC Asn	822
CAT His 180	GAG Glu	TGT Cy s	AAG Lys	CAC His	TTG Leu 185	ACC Thr	TCT Ser	TAT Tyr	TTT Phe	ACT Thr 190	TTT Phe	AAG Lys	AAT Asn	GAG Glu	ATG Met 195	870
TTG Leu	CAC His	AAA Lys	TAC Tyr	GAT Asp 200	ATG Met	GAA Glu	GTT Val	TAC Tyr	GAT Asp 205	GCT Ala	TGC Cys	TGC Cys	AGA Arg	TCA Ser 210	TTC Phe	918
AAT Asn	GTC Val	TTA Leu	CCA Pro 215	TTA Leu	GCA Ala	GCT Ala	TTA Leu	ATG Met 220	AAC	GGA Gly	CAA Gln	TAT Tyr	TTT Ph 225	TGT Cys	_	966

CA1 His	GL)	GG1 Gly 230	/ Ile	TCT Ser	CCA Pro	GAG Glu	TTA Leu 235	Lys	TCA Ser	GTA Val	GAG Glu	GAT ABP 240	Val	AA1 Asn	AAA Lys	1014
ATT Ile	AAT Asn 245	Arç	TTI Phe	CGA Arg	GAA Glu	ATC Ile 250	Pro	TCT Ser	CGT Arg	GGT	Leu 255	Met	TG1 Cys	GAC Asp	CTA Leu	1062
	Trp					Glu					Ala				AGC Ser 275	1110
					Glu	GAT Asp									GGT Gly	1158
TGC Cys	TCT	TTC Phe	GCC Ala 295	Phe	ACT Thr	TTT Phe	AAA Lys	GCA Ala 300	TCA Ser	TGC Cys	AAG Lys	TTT Phe	TTG Leu 305	AAG Lys	GCA Ala	1206
AAT Asn	GGT Gly	TTG Leu 310	TTA Leu	TCT Ser	ATT Ile	ATT Ile	AGA Arg 315	GCA Ala	CAC His	GAA Glu	GCA Ala	CAG Gln 320	GAT Asp	GCT Ala	GGG Gly	1254
TAC Tyr	AGA Arg 325	ATG Met	TAT Tyr	AAA Lys	AAC Asn	AAT Asn 330	AAA Lys	GTA Val	ACA Thr	GGC Gly	TTC Phe 335	CCG Pro	AGC Ser	TTA Leu	ATA Ile	1302
ACC Thr 340	Met	TTC Phe	AGT Ser	GCG Ala	CCA Pro 345	AAC Asn	TAC Tyr	CTG Leu	GAC Asp	ACA Thr 350	TAT Tyr	CAT His	AAT Asn	AAA Lys	GCT Ala 355	1350
						GAA Glu										1398
ATG Met	TCT Ser	CCG Pro	CAC His 375	CCT Pro	TAC Tyr	TGG Trp	TTG Leu	CCT Pro 380	GAT Asp	TTT Phe	ATG Met	GAT Asp	GTT Val 385	TTC Phe	ACC Thr	1446
TGG Trp	TCA Ser	CTA Leu 390	CCT Pro	TTT Phe	GTT Val	GGC	GAA Glu 395	AAA Lys	GTT Val	ACT Thr	AGC Ser	ATG Met 400	TTA Leu	GTG Val	TCT Ser	1494
Ile			Ile	Сув	Ser	GAG Glu 410	Gln	Glu		Asp	Pro					1542
						GTA Val										1590
						GAA Glu										1638
						TTG Leu	Arg									1686
						GTG Val										1734
					Asn	GCC (Ala (490				Pro						1782

								ACT Thr		 	1830
								CCA Pro	 	 	1878
 _	_							ATA Ile		 	1926
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 553 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

Met Ser Lys Asp Leu Asn Ser Ser Arg Ile Lys Ile Ile Lys Pro Asn Asp Ser Tyr Ile Lys Val Asp Arg Lys Lys Asp Leu Thr Lys Tyr Glu Leu Glu Asn Gly Lys Val Ile Ser Thr Lys Asp Arg Ser Tyr Ala Ser Val Pro Ala Ile Thr Gly Lys Ile Pro Ser Asp Glu Glu Val Phe Asp Ser Lys Thr Gly Leu Pro Asn His Ser Phe Leu Arg Glu His Phe Phe His Glu Gly Arg Leu Ser Lys Glu Gln Ala Ile Lys Ile Leu Asn Met Ser Thr Val Ala Leu Ser Lys Glu Pro Asn Leu Leu Lys Leu Lys Ala Pro Ile Thr Ile Cys Gly Asp Ile His Gly Gln Tyr Tyr Asp Leu Leu Lys Leu Phe Glu Val Gly Gly Asp Pro Ala Glu Ile Asp Tyr Leu Phe 130 135 140 Leu Gly Asp Tyr Val Asp Arg Gly Ala Phe Ser Phe Glu Cys Leu Ile Tyr Leu Tyr Ser Leu Lys Leu Asn Asn Leu Gly Arg Phe Trp Met Leu

Arg Gly Asn His Glu Cys Lys His Leu Thr Ser Tyr Phe Thr Phe Lys

Asn Glu Met Leu His Lys Tyr Asp Met Glu Val Tyr Asp Ala Cys Cys

Arg Ser Phe Asn Val Leu Pro Leu Ala Ala Leu Met Asn Gly Gln Tyr 210 225 220

Phe Cys Val His Gly Gly Ile Ser Pro Glu Leu Lys Ser Val Glu Asp 225 230 235 240

Val Asn Lys Ile Asn Arg Phe Arg Glu Ile Pro Ser Arg Gly Leu Met 245 250 255

Cys Asp Leu Leu Trp Ala Asp Pro Val Glu Asn Tyr Asp Asp Ala Arg
260 265 270

Asp Gly Ser Glu Phe Asp Gln Ser Glu Asp Glu Phe Val Pro Asn Ser 275 280 285

Leu Arg Gly Cys Ser Phe Ala Phe Thr Phe Lys Ala Ser Cys Lys Phe 290 295 300

Leu Lys Ala Asn Gly Leu Leu Ser Ile Ile Arg Ala His Glu Ala Gln 305 310 315 320

Asp Ala Gly Tyr Arg Met Tyr Lys Asn Asn Lys Val Thr Gly Phe Pro 325 330 335

Ser Leu Ile Thr Met Phe Ser Ala Pro Asn Tyr Leu Asp Thr Tyr His 340 345 350

Asn Lys Ala Ala Val Leu Lys Tyr Glu Glu Asn Val Met Asn Ile Arg 355 360 365

Gln Phe His Met Ser Pro His Pro Tyr Trp Leu Pro Asp Phe Met Asp 370 380

Val Phe Thr Trp Ser Leu Pro Phe Val Gly Glu Lys Val Thr Ser Met 385 390 395 400

Leu Val Ser Ile Leu Asn Ile Cys Ser Glu Gln Glu Leu Asp Pro Glu 405 410 415

Ser Glu Pro Lys Ala Ala Glu Glu Thr Val Lys Ala Arg Ala Asn Ala 420 425 430

Thr Lys Glu Thr Gly Thr Pro Ser Asp Glu Lys Ala Ser Ser Ala Ile 435 440 445

Leu Glu Asp Glu Thr Arg Arg Lys Ala Leu Arg Asn Lys Ile Leu Ala 450 460

Ile Ala Lys Val Ser Arg Met Phe Ser Val Leu Arg Glu Glu Ser Glu 465 470 475 480

Lys Val Glu Tyr Leu Lys Thr Met Asn Ala Gly Val Leu Pro Arg Gly 485 490 495

Ala Leu Ala Arg Gly Thr Glu Gly Leu Asn Glu Thr Leu Ser Thr Phe 500 510

Glu Lys Ala Arg Lys Glu Asp Leu Ile Asn Glu Lys Leu Pro Pro Ser 515 520 525

Leu Ser Glu Val Glu Gln Glu Lys Ile Lys Tyr Tyr Glu Lys Ile Leu 530 540

Lys Gly Ala Glu Lys Lys Pro Gln Leu 545 550

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 2353 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: genomic DNA fragment containing full CNA2 coding sequence
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 - (B) LOCATION: 262..2073
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

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TCAAGACTCC TATTTTTC	CT TAGAAAAAAC ATA	TATCCAA CTGGAACAG	T ATTAAGCCAA 180
TTGCTACGAT ACAAACAA	AA GGAGATATTC CTT	CCCTCCC ATAGAGTCA	C ACAGGAGCCA 240
GTACTTCTTC TTGAACCCC	GC A ATG TCT TCA Met Ser Ser	GAC GCT ATA AGA A Asp Ala Ile Arg A 5	AT ACT GAG 291 sn Thr Glu 10
CAG ATA AAC GCC GCT Gln Ile Asn Ala Ala 15	ATT AAA ATT ATA Ile Lys Ile Ile	GAA AAC AAA ACA G Glu Asn Lys Thr G 20	AG CGT CCG 339 lu Arg Pro 25
CAA TCG TCC ACA ACC Gln Ser Ser Thr Thr 30	CCT ATA GAT TCG Pro Ile Asp Ser 35	AAG GCT AGT ACA G Lys Ala Ser Thr V	TT GCT GCT 387 Val Ala Ala 40
GCT AAT TCC ACG GCC Ala Asn Ser Thr Ala 45	ACA GAA ACT TCC Thr Glu Thr Ser 50	AGA GAC CTT ACA C Arg Asp Leu Thr G 55	AA TAT ACC 435
CTA GAT GAC GGA AGA Leu Asp Asp Gly Arg 60	GTC GTA TCG ACA Val Val Ser Thr 65	AAC CGC AGA ATA A Asn Arg Arg Ile M 70	TG AAT AAA 483 let Asn Lys
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CCC AAT GGG ATA CCT Pro Asn Gly Ile Pro 95	Arg His Glu Phe	CTA AGA GAT CAT I Leu Arg Asp His F 100	TC AAG CGC 579 he Lys Arg 105
GAG GGC AAA TTG TCG Glu Gly Lys Leu Ser 110	GCT GCG CAG GCG Ala Ala Gln Ala 115	Ala Arg Ile Val T	CA CTT GCA 627 Thr Leu Ala 20
ACG GAA CTC TTC AGC Thr Glu Leu Phe Ser 125	AAA GAA CCC AAC Lys Glu Pro Asn 130	CTT ATA TCT GTT C Leu Ile Ser Val F 135	CC GCC CCA 675

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Phe				Asp				Ser			TTG Leu 170	771
			Arg				Phe				TAT	819
		Lys				Asp				Leu	AGG Arg	.867
				CAT His							AAT Asn	915
	Leu			AAT Asn 225							GAA Glu	963
				CTG Leu		 				 		1011
				TCT Ser								1059
				AGG Arg								1107
				CCG Pro								1155
				GAC Asp 305								1203
				CCT Pro								1251
				GCC Ala								1299
				TTG Leu								1347
				TAC Tyr								1395
				AGT Ser 385			Tyr					1443
				AAA Lys								1491

GAA Gln	Phe	AAC Aan	: ATG : Met	Thr 415	Pro	CAC His	Pro	TA1	TGG Trp 420	Leu	Pro	A GAT	TTC Phe	Met 425	GAC	1539
GTT Val	TTC	ACG Thr	TGG Trp 430	Ser	TTG	CCA Pro	TTT	GTI Val 435	Gly	GAA Glu	AAA Lys	GTT Val	ACA Thr 440	Glu	ATG Met	1587
CTT Leu	GTC Val	GCA Ala 445	ATT Ile	CTA Leu	AAC Asn	ATC Ile	TGT Cys 450	Thr	GAA Glu	GAT Asp	GAG Glu	CTG Leu 455	GAA Glu	AAC Asn	GAC Asp	1635
ACC Thr	CCC Pro 460	AT	ATT Ile	GAA Glu	GAA Glu	TTA Leu 465	GTT Val	GGT Gly	ACC Thr	GAT Asp	AAA Lys 470	AAA Lys	TTG Leu	CCA Pro	CAA Gln	1683
GCT Ala 475	GGT Gly	AAG Lys	TCG Ser	GAA Glu	GCA Ala 480	ACT Thr	CCA Pro	CAA Gln	CCA Pro	GCC Ala 485	ACT Thr	TCG Ser	GCG Ala	TCG Ser	CCT Pro 490	1731
AAA Lys	CAT His	GCT Ala	TCC Ser	ATT Ile 495	TTA Leu	GAT Asp	GAC Asp	GAA Glu	CAT His 500	CGA Arg	AGG Arg	AAA Lys	GCC Ala	TTA Leu 505	CGA Arg	1779
AAT Asn	AAG Lys	ATT Ile	CTG Leu 510	GCC Ala	GTC Val	GCC Ala	AAA Lys	GTT Val 515	TCC Ser	AGA Arg	ATG Met	TAT Tyr	TCT Ser 520	GTT Val	CTC Leu	1827
AGA Arg	GAA Glu	GAA Glu 525	ACC Thr	AAT Asn	AAA Lys	GTT Val	CAG Gln 530	TTT Phe	TTA Leu	AAA Lys	GAT Asp	CAC His 535	AAT Asn	TCA Ser	GGC Gly	1875
ATT	TTG Leu 540	CCA Pro	CGT Arg	GGC Gly	GCT Ala	TTA Leu 545	TCT Ser	AAT Asn	GGT Gly	GTA Val	AAG Lys 550	GGT Gly	TTA Leu	GAT Asp	GAA Glu	1923
GCC Ala 555	CTG Leu	TCT Ser	ACC Thr	Phe	GAA Glu 560	AGG Arg	GCA Ala	AGA Arg	AAG Lys	CAC His 565	GAT Asp	TTA Leu	ATT Ile	AAT Asn	GAA Glu 570	1971
AAA Lys	TTA Leu	CCG Pro	Pro	TCA Ser 575	CTA Leu	GAC Asp	GAA Glu	CTG Leu	AAA Lys 580	AAC Asn	GAA Glu	AAT Asn	Lys	AAG Lys 585	TAC Tyr	2019
TAC (GAA Glu	Lys	GTT Val 590	TGG Trp	CAG Gln	AAA Lys	Val	CAT His 595	GAA Glu	CAT His	GAT Asp	GCA . Ala	AAG Lys 600	AAT Asn	GAT Asp	2067
AGC : Ser :	AAA Lys	TAGA	GAAA	GC T	CCTA	TTTC	C AC	TGTA	CATA	CTT	CAAT	'AAG	TAAG	TAAG	TT	2123
GCAT:	TAAT	TA T	CTAT	TTAG	A AG	CTAG	ATGC	TCC	TCAA	ATG	CACA	GAAT	CA T	ATAG	CGTTT	2183
TATT	AGGT	CT G	TTCT:	TAT	T TT	AGTT	TTGT	TGA	TCTC	TAT (GAAG	GTAT	AT T	TATA	TGCAA	2243
AAATI	AAAC	TT T	TAAA:	ratc:	r at	GGAT	CTT	ACT	CAAT'	TGT :	ATAG	ACGT:	TT T	TCAT.	AGGAG	2303
IGCA	AATT.	AT G	GACA	CCAC	C TT	CTAA!	TTGA	GCA	GAAG	CGG 1	TTCT	GAAT	rc			2353

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 604 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

Met Ser Ser Asp Ala Ile Arg Asn Thr Glu Gln Ile Asn Ala Ala Ile
1 10 15

Lys Ile Ile Glu Asn Lys Thr Glu Arg Pro Gln Ser Ser Thr Thr Pro 20 25 30

Ile Asp Ser Lys Ala Ser Thr Val Ala Ala Ala Asn Ser Thr Ala Thr 35 - 40 45

Glu Thr Ser Arg Asp Leu Thr Gln Tyr Thr Leu Asp Asp Gly Arg Val
50 55 60

Val Ser Thr Asn Arg Arg Ile Met Asn Lys Val Pro Ala Ile Thr Ser 65 70 75 80

His Val Pro Thr Asp Glu Glu Leu Phe Gln Pro Asn Gly Ile Pro Arg 85 90 95

His Glu Phe Leu Arg Asp His Phe Lys Arg Glu Gly Lys Leu Ser Ala 100 105 110

Ala Gln Ala Ala Arg Ile Val Thr Leu Ala Thr Glu Leu Phe Ser Lys 115 120 125

Glu Pro Asn Leu Ile Ser Val Pro Ala Pro Ile Thr Val Cys Gly Asp 130 135 140

Ile His Gly Gln Tyr Phe Asp Leu Leu Lys Leu Phe Glu Val Gly Gly 145 150 155 160

Asp Pro Ala Thr Thr Ser Tyr Leu Phe Leu Gly Asp Tyr Val Asp Arg
165 170 175

Gly Ser Phe Ser Phe Glu Cys Leu Ile Tyr Leu Tyr Ser Leu Lys Leu 180 185 190

Asn Phe Asn Asp His Phe Trp Leu Leu Arg Gly Asn His Glu Cys Lys 195 200 205

His Leu Thr Ser Tyr Phe Thr Phe Lys Asn Glu Met Leu His Lys Tyr 210 215 220

Asn Leu Asp Ile Tyr Glu Lys Cys Cys Glu Ser Phe Asn Asn Leu Pro 225 230 235 240

Leu Ala Ala Leu Met Asn Gly Gln Tyr Leu Cys Val His Gly Gly Ile 245 250 255

Ser Pro Glu Leu Asn Ser Leu Gln Asp Ile Asn Asn Leu Asn Arg Phe 260 265 270

Arg Glu Ile Pro Ser His Gly Leu Met Cys Asp Leu Leu Trp Ala Asp 275 280 285

Pro Ile Glu Glu Tyr Asp Glu Val Leu Asp Lys Asp Leu Thr Glu Glu 290 295 300

Asp Ile Val Asn Ser Lys Thr Met Val Pro His His Gly Lys Met Ala 305 310 315 320

Pro Ser Arg Asp Met Phe Val Pro Asn Ser Val Arg Gly Cys Ser Tyr 325 330 335

Ala Phe Thr Tyr Arg Ala Ala Cys His Phe Leu Gln Glu Thr Gly Leu 340 345 350

Leu Ser Ile Ile Arg Ala His Glu Ala Gln Asp Ala Gly Tyr Arg Met 355 360 365

Tyr Lys Asn Thr Lys Thr Leu Gly Phe Pro Ser Leu Leu Thr Leu Phe 370 375 380

Ser Ala Pro Asn Tyr Leu Asp Thr Tyr Asn Asn Lys Ala Ala Ile Leu 385 390 395 400

Lys Tyr Glu Asn Asn Val Met Asn Ile Arg Gln Phe Asn Met Thr Pro 405 410 415

His Pro Tyr Trp Leu Pro Asp Phe Met Asp Val Phe Thr Trp Ser Leu
420 425 430

Pro Phe Val Gly Glu Lys Val Thr Glu Met Leu Val Ala Ile Leu Asn 435 440 445

Ile Cys Thr Glu Asp Glu Leu Glu Asn Asp Thr Pro Val Ile Glu Glu 450 460

Leu Val Gly Thr Asp Lys Leu Pro Gln Ala Gly Lys Ser Glu Ala 465 470 475 480

Thr Pro Gln Pro Ala Thr Ser Ala Ser Pro Lys His Ala Ser Ile Leu 485 490 495

Asp Asp Glu His Arg Arg Lys Ala Leu Arg Asn Lys Ile Leu Ala Val 500 510

Ala Lys Val Ser Arg Met Tyr Ser Val Leu Arg Glu Glu Thr Asn Lys 515 520 525

Val Gln Phe Leu Lys Asp His Asn Ser Gly Val Leu Pro Arg Gly Ala 530 535 540

Leu Ser Asn Gly Val Lys Gly Leu Asp Glu Ala Leu Ser Thr Phe Glu 545 550 555 560

Arg Ala Arg Lys His Asp Leu Ile Asn Glu Lys Leu Pro Pro Ser Leu
565 570 575

Asp Glu Leu Lys Asn Glu Asn Lys Lys Tyr Tyr Glu Lys Val Trp Gln 580 585 590

Lys Val His Glu His Asp Ala Lys Asn Asp Ser Lys

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 812 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: genomic DNA fragment containing full

CNB1 coding sequence

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(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 54..104

(ix) FEATURE:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 181..652

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

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ACT	TGG1	AAC	TCAA	TGG1	GA I	CAGA	ATCC	A TA	GAAG	CATI	TTI	'ATTI	CTT	AAA	ATG Met 1	5	6
				Ser					Gly					Thr	AAT Asn	10	4
TGI	ATGT	ACA	CTTC	GGAG	TG A	GGAA	AAGA	A AG	AAAG	GGGA	AAT	TAAC	CGA	TTTT	ACTAAC	16	4
ACT	GACA	CTT	TGAA		_								TA A eu A			21	3
				Leu					Ser				GAT Asp 25			26.	1
			Ser										GCT Ala			309	9
													GAT Asp			351	7
	Phe												TCC Ser			40	5
													AAG Lys			453	3
													ATG Met 105			501	L
													AGG Arg			549	;
_													GAG Glu			597	,
													ACA Thr			645	į
	GATO Asp	etgt <i>i</i>	LAG F	CTAG	GGGA	C AC	TTC	TTC	TTI	TATGG	TAT	GCCF	LATAI	TT		698	}

TTAAGAAAAG AAGAATAATA CGCGATATTG TTTTTTAAGG AAGGAACGCA CACTCGCCCA 758
GTTAGAGTGC TGATGATATA TACATATATA TATGTATATG TAACAAACAA TAAG 812

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 17 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
 - (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

Met Gly Ala Ala Pro Ser Lys Ile Val Asp Gly Leu Leu Glu Asp Thr 1 5 10 15

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- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:15:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 157 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
 - (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:15:

Val Asp Arg Asp Glu Ile Glu Arg Leu Arg Lys Arg Phe Met Lys Leu 1 5 10 15

Asp Arg Asp Ser Ser Gly Ser Ile Asp Lys Asn Glu Phe Met Ser Ile
20 25 30

Pro Gly Val Ser Ser Asn Pro Leu Ala Gly Arg Ile Met Glu Val Phe 35 40 45

Asp Ala Asp Asn Ser Gly Asp Val Asp Phe Gln Glu Phe Ile Thr Gly 50 55

Leu Ser Ile Phe Ser Gly Arg Gly Ser Lys Asp Glu Lys Leu Arg Phe 65 70 75 80

Ala Phe Lys Ile Tyr Asp Ile Asp Lys Asp Gly Phe Ile Ser Asn Gly 85 90 95

Glu Leu Phe Ile Val Leu Lys Ile Met Val Gly Ser Asn Leu Asp Asp 100 105 110

Glu Gln Leu Gln Gln Ile Val Asp Arg Thr Ile Val Glu Asn Asp Ser 115 120 125

Asp Gly Asp Gly Arg Leu Ser Phe Glu Glu Phe Lys Asn Ala Ile Glu 130 135 140

Thr Thr Glu Val Ala Lys Ser Leu Thr Leu Gln Tyr Asp 145 150 155

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:16:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 524 base pairs

 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid (C) STRANDEDNESS: double (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA to mRNA
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: coding sequence of CNB1
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 - (B) LOCATION: 1..524
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:16:

ATG Met 1	GGT	GCI Ala	GCI Ala	CCT Pro	TCC Ser	AAA Lys	ATI	GTG Val	GAT Asp	Gly	CTI Leu	TTA Leu	GAA	GAT Asp 15	ACA Thr	48
AAT Asn	TTT Phe	GAT Asp	AGA Arg 20	Asp	GAA Glu	ATT	GAA Glu	AGG Arg 25	Leu	AGG Arg	AAG Lys	AGA Arg	TTC Phe 30	Met	AAA Lys	96
TTA Leu	GAT Asp	AGA Arg 35	GAT Asp	AGC Ser	TCA Ser	GGG Gly	TCT Ser 40	ATT	GAT Asp	AAA Lys	AAT Asn	GAA Glu 45	TTT Phe	ATG Met	AGC Ser	144
ATT Ile	Pro 50	Gly	GTT Val	TCG Ser	TCA Ser	AAC Aen 55	CCT Pro	CTT Leu	GCT Ala	GGA Gly	CGT Arg 60	ATA Ile	ATG Met	GAG Glu	GTT Val	192
TTC Phe 65	GAT Asp	GCT Ala	GAT Asp	AAT Asn	AGT Ser 70	GGG Gly	GAC Asp	GTG Val	GAT Asp	TTT Phe 75	CAA Gln	GAG Glu	TTC Phe	ATC Ile	ACA Thr 80	240
GGA Gly	TTA Leu	TCC Ser	ATT Ile	TTC Phe 85	AGT Ser	GCG	CGT Arg	GGG Gly	TCC Ser 90	AAG Lys	GAC Asp	GAA Glu	AAG Lys	TTA Leu 95	AGA Arg	288
TTC Phe	GCC Ala	TTC Phe	AAA Lys 100	ATC Ile	TAC Tyr	GAC Asp	ATT Ile	GAC Asp 105	AAG Lys	GAC Asp	GGT Gly	TTC Phe	ATA Ile 110	TCC Ser	AAT Asn	336
GGT Gly	GAG Glu	TTG Leu 115	TTC Phe	ATC Ile	GTG Val	TTG Leu	AAG Lys 120	ATT Ile	ATG Met	GTA Val	GGT Gly	TCT Ser 125	AAT Asn	CTG Leu	GAC Asp	384
GAT Asp	GAA Glu 130	CAG Gln	CTG Leu	CAA Gln	CAG Gln	ATA Ile 135	GTA Val	GAT Asp	AGG Arg	ACG Thr	ATA Ile 140	GTG Val	GAA Glu	AAC Asn	GAT Asp	432
AGC Ser 145	GAC Asp	GGC Gly	GAC Asp	Gly	CGT Arg 150	TTA Leu	AGT Ser	TTC Phe	GAG Glu	GAG Glu 155	TTT Phe	AAG Lys	AAT Asn	GCT Ala	ATC Ile 160	480
GAA Glu	ACC Thr	ACA Thr	GAA Glu	GTG Val 165	GCC Ala	AAG . Lys	AGT Ser	CTG Leu	ACA Thr 170	TTG Leu	CAA Gln	TAC Tyr	GAT Asp	СT		524

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:17:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 174 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amin acid
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
 - (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:17:

Met Gly Ala Ala Pro Ser Lys Ile Val Asp Gly Leu Leu Glu Asp Thr
1 10 15

Asn Phe Asp Arg Asp Glu Ile Glu Arg Leu Arg Lys Arg Phe Met Lys 20 25 30

Leu Asp Arg Asp Ser Ser Gly Ser Ile Asp Lys Asn Glu Phe Met Ser 35 40 45

Ile Pro Gly Val Ser Ser Asn Pro Leu Ala Gly Arg Ile Met Glu Val
50 55 60

Phe Asp Ala Asp Asn Ser Gly Asp Val Asp Phe Gln Glu Phe Ile Thr 65 70 75 80

Gly Leu Ser Ile Phe Ser Gly Arg Gly Ser Lys Asp Glu Lys Leu Arg 85 90 95

Phe Ala Phe Lys Ile Tyr Asp Ile Asp Lys Asp Gly Phe Ile Ser Asn 100 105 110

Gly Glu Leu Phe Ile Val Leu Lys Ile Met Val Gly Ser Asn Leu Asp 115 120 125

Asp Glu Gln Leu Gln Gln Ile Val Asp Arg Thr Ile Val Glu Asn Asp 130 135 140

Ser Asp Gly Asp Gly Arg Leu Ser Phe Glu Glu Phe Lys Asn Ala Ile 145 150 155 160

Glu Thr Thr Glu Val Ala Lys Ser Leu Thr Leu Gln Tyr Asp 165 170

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:18:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 1812 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA
 - (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
 - (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
 - (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: DNA fragment containing CNAldeltaC coding sequence
 - (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 - (B) LOCATION: 286..1812

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:18:

GTTTGTTGC	A TTTTGATATT	CATCTATAT	C TATTTCAAAA	TTTTTCATGT CAT	CGCCTCT 60
TGAAACATGA	A ATTTTCCAAT	TCTGAAAAA	G AACGTACTAC	TGGGAAACAA AAG	GGAAAAA 120
TGTATAAATO	CTTTAATGTT	TTTGAATCA	A GAGGCATTAT	TATAAAAGAA CGA	AGCAAAG 180
CCTTTAATAT	TTGCTTTATT	AAAGGTATTI	A TTCAAAGAAA	AGTTTTTTTA GAT	CTTTTT 240
TTTTTGACGT	ATTAGCTCAG	CTGCCATAA	A ACACTCTCAA	CGCCA ATG TCG A Met Ser 1	
GAC TTG AA Asp Leu As 5	T TCT TCA C	GC ATC AAA rg Ile Lys 10	ATC ATT AAA Ile Ile Lys	CCT AAT GAC TCT Pro Asn Asp Ser 15	TAC 342 Tyr
ATA AAG GT Ile Lys Va 20	l Asp Arg L	AA AAA GAT ys Lys Asp 25	TTA ACA AAA Leu Thr Lys 30	TAC GAA TTA GAI Tyr Glu Leu Glu	A AAC 390 1 Asn 35
GGT AAA GT Gly Lys Va	A ATT TCT AG 1 Ile Ser T 40	CT AAG GAC hr Lys Asp	CGA TCC TAC Arg Ser Tyr 45	GCT TCT GTA CCT Ala Ser Val Pro 50	Ala
ATA ACA GG	A AAG ATA CO y Lys Ile Po 55	CA AGT GAT co Ser Asp	GAG GAA GTA Glu Glu Val 60	TTC GAC TCC AAG Phe Asp Ser Lys 65	ACG 486
GGA TTA CC Gly Leu Pro 7	o Asn His Se	CC TTT TTA er Phe Leu 75	AGA GAG CAT Arg Glu His	TTC TTT CAT GAG Phe Phe His Glu 80	GGT 534 Gly
CGA CTT TC: Arg Leu Se: 85	T AAG GAA CA r Lys Glu Gl	AG GCC ATA .n Ala Ile 90	AAA ATC TTA Lys Ile Leu	AAT ATG TCA ACT Asn Met Ser Thr 95	GTA 582 Val
GCA TTG AG Ala Leu Sei 100	T AAA GAA CO T Lys Glu Pr 10	o Asn Leu	CTA AAA CTC Leu Lys Leu 110	AAA GCG CCA ATT Lys Ala Pro Ile	ACT 630 Thr 115
ATA TGT GGT Ile Cys Gly	F GAT ATT CA / Asp Ile Hi 120	C GGG CAG	TAT TAT GAT Tyr Tyr Asp 125	TTA TTG AAA CTG Leu Leu Lys Leu 130	Phe
GAA GTT GGG Glu Val Gly	GGT GAC CC Gly Asp Pr 135	o Ala Glu	ATC GAC TAT Ile Asp Tyr 140	TTA TTC TTG GGG Leu Phe Leu Gly 145	GAT 726 Asp
TAT GTT GAT Tyr Val Asp 150	Arg Gly Al	A TTC TCT 1 a Phe Ser I 155	TTT GAG TGT Phe Glu Cys	CTG ATT TAT TTG Leu Ile Tyr Leu 160	TAC 774 Tyr
			Arg Phe Trp	ATG CTA AGA GGT Met Leu Arg Gly 175	
CAT GAG TGT His Glu Cys 180	AAG CAC TT Lys His Le 18	u Thr Ser 1	TAT TTT ACT Tyr Phe Thr 190	TTT AAG AAT GAG Phe Lys Asn Glu	ATG 870 Met 195
TTG CAC AAA Leu His Lys	TAC GAT AT Tyr Asp Me 200	G GAA GTT 1 t Glu Val 1	TAC GAT GCT (Tyr Asp Ala (205	TGC TGC AGA TCA Cys Cys Arg Ser 210	TTC 918 Phe

AA' Ası	r GTO	C TT	A CCI Pro 215	Le	A GCA	A GCT	TTA Leu	ATO Met 220	t Ası	C GGI	A CA	A TA	TTT Pho	е Су	T GTG 8 Val	966
CA? His	GG1 Gly	GG7 Gly 230	/ Ile	TC1	CC!	A GAG	TTA Leu 235	Lys	A TCI Sei	A GTA	GAG	G GAT 1 Asi 240	Va.	T AA l As	T AAA n Lys	1014
ATT Ile	AAT Asn 245	Arc	TTI Phe	CG#	GAA Glu	ATC Ile 250	Pro	TCI Ser	CG1	GGI Gly	CTC Leu 255	ı Met	TG:	C GA	C CTA P Leu	1062
CTA Leu 260	Trp	GCC Ala	GAT Asp	CCI Pro	GTC Val 265	Glu	AAT Asn	TAI Tyr	GAT Asp	GAT Asp 270	Ala	AGA Arg	GAT Asp	GG:	AGC Ser 275	1110
GAA Glu	TTT Phe	GAT Asp	CAG Gln	AGC Ser 280	Glu	GAT Asp	GAA Glu	TTC Phe	GTA Val 285	Pro	AAC	: AGT	TTG	AGG Arg 290	GGT Gly	1158
TGC Cys	TCT Ser	TTC Phe	GCC Ala 295	TTC Phe	ACT Thr	TTT Phe	AAA Lys	GCA Ala 300	Ser	TGC	AAG Lys	TTT Phe	TTG Leu 305	Lys	GCA Ala	1206
AAT Asn	GGT Gly	TTG Leu 310	TTA Leu	TCT Ser	ATT Ile	ATT Ile	AGA Arg 315	GCA Ala	CAC His	GAA Glu	GCA Ala	CAG Gln 320	GAT	GCT Ala	GGG	1254
TAC Tyr	AGA Arg 325	ATG Met	TAT Tyr	AAA Lys	AAC Aen	AAT Asn 330	AAA Lys	GTA Val	ACA Thr	GGC Gly	TTC Phe 335	CCG Pro	AGC Ser	TTA Leu	ATA	1302
ACC Thr 340	ATG Met	TTC Phe	AGT Ser	GCG Ala	CCA Pro 345	AAC Asn	TAC Tyr	CTG Leu	GAC Asp	ACA Thr 350	TAT Tyr	CAT His	AAT Asn	AAA Lys	GCT Ala 355	1350
GCT Ala	GTG Val	TTA Leu	AAA Lys	TAT Tyr 360	GAA Glu	GAA Glu	AAC Aen	GTC Val	ATG Met 365	AAC Asn	ATC Ile	AGG Arg	CAG Gln	TTT Phe 370	CAC His	1398
ATG Met	TCT Ser	CCG Pro	CAC His 375	CCT Pro	TAC Tyr	TGG Trp	TTG Leu	CCT Pro 380	GAT Asp	TTT Phe	ATG Met	GAT Asp	GTT Val 385	TTC Phe	ACC Thr	1446
TGG Trp	TCA Ser	CTA Leu 390	CCT Pro	TTT Phe	GTT Val	GGC Gly	GAA Glu 395	Lys	GTT Val	ACT Thr	AGC Ser	ATG Met 400	TTA Leu	GTG Val	TCT Ser	1494
ATA Ile	TTA Leu 405	AAC Asn	ATA Ile	TGT Cys	Ser	GAG Glu 410	CAG Gln	GAA Glu	CTT Leu	Asp	CCA Pro 415	GAA Glu	TCG Ser	GAA Glu	CCC Pro	1542
AAA Lys 420	GCT Ala	GCG Ala	GAG Glu	GAG Glu	ACT Thr 425	GTA Val	AAG (Lys	GCA Ala	AGA Arg	GCA Ala 430	AAC Asn	GCA Ala	ACT Thr	AAG Lys	GAG Glu 435	1590
ACC Thr	GLY	ACC Thr	Pro	TCT Ser 440	GAT (GAA . Glu :	AAG (Lys i	Ala	TCA Ser 445	TCA Ser	GCG Ala	ATA Ile	TTA Leu	GAA Glu 450	GAT Asp	1638
GAA Glu	ACC Thr	Arg	AGA . Arg : 455	AAG Lys	GCT (TTG /	Arg 1	AAT Asn 460	AAG Lys	ATA :	TTA Leu	Ala	ATT Ile 465	GCT Ala	AAA Lys	1686
GTT Val	Ser .	AGA Arg 470	ATG '	TTT Phe	TCG (Ser '	GTG (CTA / Leu / 175	AGA (GAA (Glu (GAG :	Ser	GAA Glu : 480	AAA Lys	GTG Val	GAA Glu	1734

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TAT TTG AAA ACT ATG AAT GCC GGT GTC TTA CCT CGT GGT GCT CTA GCT 1782 Tyr Leu Lys Thr Met Asn Ala Gly Val Leu Pro Arg Gly Ala Leu Ala 490 CGT GGG ACT GAA GGT TTG AAT GAA ACG CTA 1812 Arg Gly Thr Glu Gly Leu Asn Glu Thr Leu 505

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:19:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 509 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:19:

Met Ser Lys Asp Leu Asn Ser Ser Arg Ile Lys Ile Ile Lys Pro Asn

Asp Ser Tyr Ile Lys Val Asp Arg Lys Lys Asp Leu Thr Lys Tyr Glu

Leu Glu Asn Gly Lys Val Ile Ser Thr Lys Asp Arg Ser Tyr Ala Ser

Val Pro Ala Ile Thr Gly Lys Ile Pro Ser Asp Glu Glu Val Phe Asp

Ser Lys Thr Gly Leu Pro Asn His Ser Phe Leu Arg Glu His Phe Phe

His Glu Gly Arg Leu Ser Lys Glu Gln Ala Ile Lys Ile Leu Asn Met

Ser Thr Val Ala Leu Ser Lys Glu Pro Asn Leu Leu Lys Leu Lys Ala

Pro Ile Thr Ile Cys Gly Asp Ile His Gly Gln Tyr Tyr Asp Leu Leu

Lys Leu Phe Glu Val Gly Gly Asp Pro Ala Glu Ile Asp Tyr Leu Phe 135

Leu Gly Asp Tyr Val Asp Arg Gly Ala Phe Ser Phe Glu Cys Leu Ile

Tyr Leu Tyr Ser Leu Lys Leu Asn Asn Leu Gly Arg Phe Trp Met Leu

Arg Gly Asn His Glu Cys Lys His Leu Thr Ser Tyr Phe Thr Phe Lys

Asn Glu Met Leu His Lys Tyr Asp Met Glu Val Tyr Asp Ala Cys Cys

Arg Ser Phe Asn Val Leu Pro Leu Ala Ala Leu Met Asn Gly Gln Tyr

Phe Cys Val His Gly Gly Ile Ser Pro Glu Leu Lys Ser Val Glu Asp 235

Val Asn Lys Ile Asn Arg Phe Arg Glu Ile Pro Ser Arg Gly Leu Met

- Cys Asp Leu Leu Trp Ala Asp Pro Val Glu Asn Tyr Asp Asp Ala Arg 260 265 270
- Asp Gly Ser Glu Phe Asp Gln Ser Glu Asp Glu Phe Val Pro Asn Ser 275 280 285
- Leu Arg Gly Cys Ser Phe Ala Phe Thr Phe Lys Ala Ser Cys Lys Phe 290 295 300
- Leu Lys Ala Asn Gly Leu Leu Ser Ile Ile Arg Ala His Glu Ala Gln 305 310 315
- Asp Ala Gly Tyr Arg Met Tyr Lys Asn Asn Lys Val Thr Gly Phe Pro 325 330 335
- Ser Leu Ile Thr Met Phe Ser Ala Pro Asn Tyr Leu Asp Thr Tyr His 340 345 350
- Asn Lys Ala Ala Val Leu Lys Tyr Glu Glu Asn Val Met Asn Ile Arg 355 360 365
- Gln Phe His Met Ser Pro His Pro Tyr Trp Leu Pro Asp Phe Met Asp 370 375 380
- Val Phe Thr Trp Ser Leu Pro Phe Val Gly Glu Lys Val Thr Ser Met 385 390 395 400
- Leu Val Ser Ile Leu Asn Ile Cys Ser Glu Gln Glu Leu Asp Pro Glu 405 410 415
- Ser Glu Pro Lys Ala Ala Glu Glu Thr Val Lys Ala Arg Ala Asn Ala 420 425 430
- Thr Lys Glu Thr Gly Thr Pro Ser Asp Glu Lys Ala Ser Ser Ala Ile 435 440 445
- Leu Glu Asp Glu Thr Arg Arg Lys Ala Leu Arg Asn Lys Ile Leu Ala 450 455 460
- Ile Ala Lys Val Ser Arg Met Phe Ser Val Leu Arg Glu Glu Ser Glu 465 470 480
- Lys Val Glu Tyr Leu Lys Thr Met Asn Ala Gly Val Leu Pro Arg Gly
 485 490 495
- Ala Leu Ala Arg Gly Thr Glu Gly Leu Asn Glu Thr Leu 500 505
- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:20:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 1767 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA
 - (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
 - (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
 - (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (C) INDIVIDUAL ISOLATE: DNA fragment containing CNA2deltaC coding sequence
 - (ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 262..1767

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:20:

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IT IS CLAIMED:

- A polypeptide composition comprising a polypeptide effective to enhance immunosuppressive effects of a calcineurin-targeted immunosuppressant by potentiating an
 interaction of an immunophilin with calcineurin.
 - 2. A composition of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide composition contains a calcineurin interacting (CNI) polypeptide.
- 3. A composition of claim 2, wherein the polypeptide composition contains a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of sequences represented by SEQ ID NO:2 and SEQ ID NO:5.
- 4. A composition of claim 2, wherein the polypeptide has an amino acid sequence of between 15 and 915 amino acids in length.
 - 5. A composition of claim 2, wherein the polypeptide composition contains a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence comprising the c-terminal 306 amino acids of a CNI protein.

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- 6. An isolated nucleic acid having a sequence encoding a polypeptide of any of claims 1-5.
- 7. A nucleic acid of claim 6, wherein the nucleic acid has a sequence selected from the group consisting of nucleic acid sequences represented by SEQ ID NO:3 and SEQ ID NO:6.
 - 8. A method of identifying a small molecule immunosuppressant compound, comprising
- 30 constructing a cell-based two hybrid protein-protein interaction assay, wherein one of two fusion hybrid proteins in a cell contains an (A) subunit of calcineurin, and the other of two fusion hybrid proteins contains a CNI polypeptide,

contacting the cell with a small molecule, and

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identifying the small molecule as an immunosuppressant if the molecule potentiates an interaction between the two hybrid proteins.

- 9. A method of claim 8, wherein the cell is a yeast cell.
- 10. A method of claim 8, wherein one of the two fusion hybrid proteins contains a GAL4 activation domain and the other of two fusion hybrid proteins contains a GAL4 binding domain.
- 11. A method of claim 8, wherein the subunit of calcineurin is selected from the group consisting of yeast CNA1 and yeast CNA2.
 - 12. A method of claim 8, wherein the subunit of calcineurin is an "A" subunit of human calcineurin.
 - 13. A method of claim 8, wherein the CNI polypeptide is yeast CNI polypeptide.
 - 14. A method of claim 8, wherein the CNI polypeptide is yeast CNIc polypeptide.
- 20 15. A method of claim 8, wherein the cell is further modified to cause overexpression of a "B" subunit of calcineurin by said cell.
- 16. A yeast cell carrying a mutation in the naturally-occurring genomic copy of a gene encoding calcineurin-interacting polypeptide, where said mutation prevents expression of a
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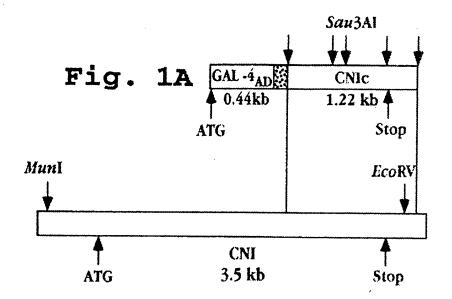
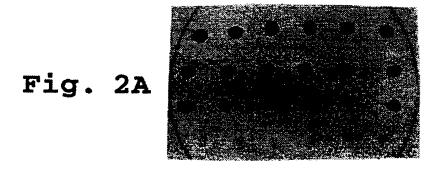
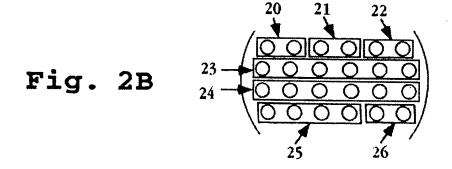


Fig. 1B





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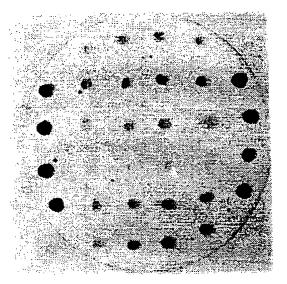


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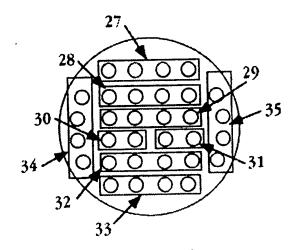
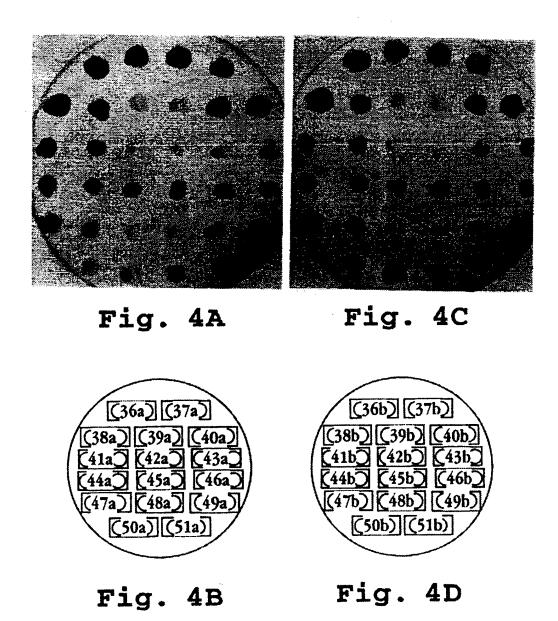


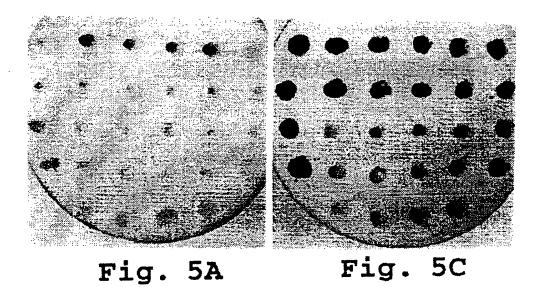
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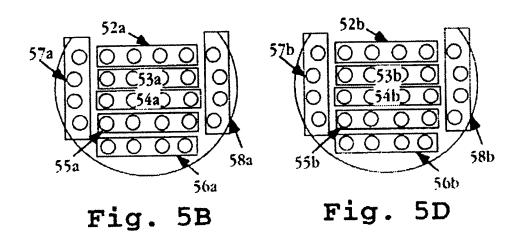
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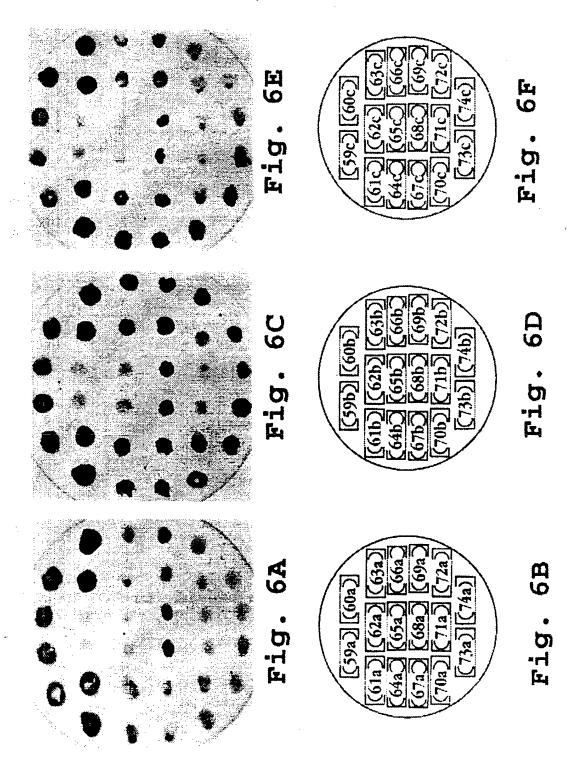
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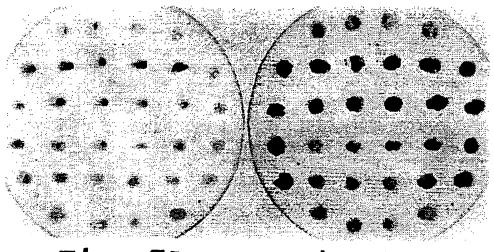


Fig. 7A

Fig. 7C

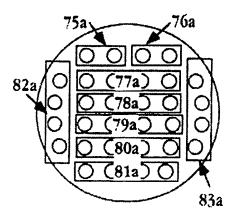


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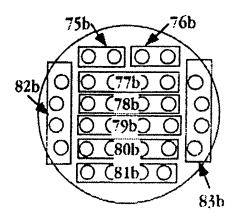


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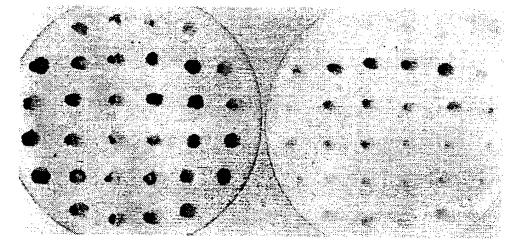


Fig. 7E

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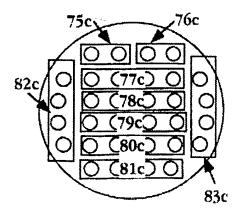


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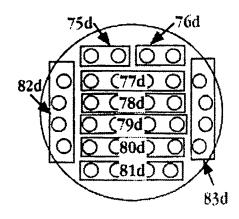


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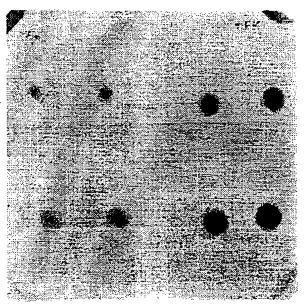


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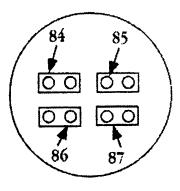


Fig. 8B



Fig. 9A



Fig. 9C

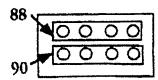


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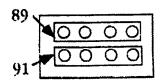


Fig. 9D

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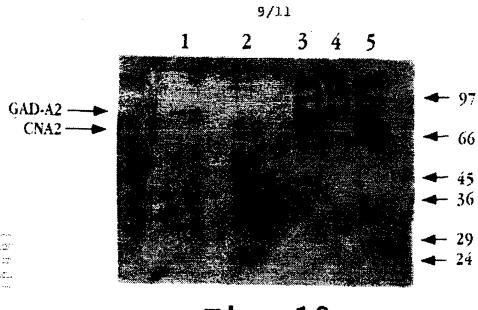
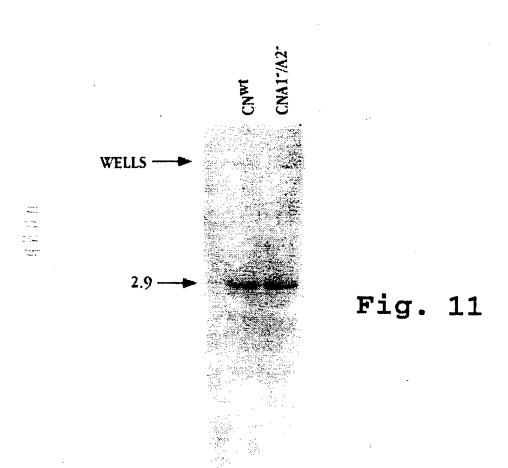


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